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Israelis blow up house; 3 wounded

BEIRUT, Dec. 26 (Agencies) — An Israeli military unit raided a U.N.-patrolled area in southern Lebanon and blew up a house early Friday, seriously wounding three Lebanese villagers, Lebanese authorities reported. They said rightist Lebanese Christian militiamen in the border enclave provided cover for the raiding Israeli unit into the southern Lebanese village of Hadatha, (6 kilometers north of the Israeli frontier).

The three injured villagers were taken by the Irish battalion of the U.N. Interim Force in Lebanon to a hospital at the U.N. field headquarters town of Naqoura after the withdrawal of the Israeli raiding party, authorities said.

They reported the raiders infiltrated into Hadatha from the Christian militia-controlled town of Beit Yuhoun and used the same Hadatha-Beit Yuhoun track in their return after blowing up one house. Another adjacent house was also damaged as a result of explosion.

This was the second such raid into UNFIL-policed areas in the south in nine days. The first was mounted into the village of Barashit, eight kilometers east of Hadatha, on Dec. 18, when three villagers were killed and a dozen houses blown up because of children of the villagers helped Palestinian commandos cross into Christian militia territory and into Israel for commando operation.

Fighting in Zahle
Meanwhile the rightwing Falangist radio Thursday night reported fresh fighting in the eastern Lebanese town of Zahle after nearly two days of relative calm between Syrian troops and Christian militia forces.

However, the state-run Beirut radio said in its latest news broadcast that everything was quiet in the town, 50 kilometers east of the capital. "And not a single shot was heard throughout the day," it said. The Falangist radio said there had been heavy shelling in various parts of the town Thursday.

Fighting started last Sunday after civil leaders in Zahle refused to surrender gunmen who killed five Syrian soldiers in an ambush the previous day. Political leaders have held intensive negotiations to ease the situation. About 30,000 Syrian troops have been in Lebanon as an Arab Deterrent Force (ADF) since they intervened to end the 1975-76 civil war.

France has expressed its concern about fighting in Zahle and announced it had taken the matter up last Sunday with the Syrian government.

A foreign ministry communique said the situation in Zahle threatened the lives of civilians and the authority of the Lebanese government. It also said France was in contact with the Lebanese government and was following events closely. Several French politicians, including national assembly vice president Bernard Stasi and Gaullist leader Jacques Chirac, have condemned the Syrian bombardment of the Christian Lebanese town and called on the French government to take some action.

Jones visits Egypt

CAIRO, Dec. 26 (Agencies) — The chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. David Jones who completed his four day visit to Israel arrived here Friday morning.

Jones, toured the occupied Golan Heights of Syria and visited Prime Minister Menachem Begin. Jones was touring the bleak volcanic terrain at the same time as the Israeli government was fighting off a parliamentary motion of no confidence over its refusal to annex the Heights.

Some foreign dignitaries stay away from the Golan lest they be accused of recognizing Israeli rule of the territory. But Jones was there on a private visit with his family and his tour of the Golan did not appear to have political implications.



TO VISIT QASIM: King Khaled is expected to arrive in Qasim Saturday morning for a three-day visit to the region during which he will inspect some of the projects being built and dedicate new ones including the second phase of the SR300 million grain silos. Qasim Governor Prince Abdul-Ilah bin Abdul Aziz said the region has been preparing for the visit which will be marked by three days of festivities. The general manager of municipal and rural affairs here, Sulaiman Al Durabi said there were SR1.65 billion worth of contracts being carried out or have already been awarded in 12 areas of the region with SR600 million more to be spent in due course. These include roads, parks, public gardens, and municipal services. The second phase of the silos will produce 270 tons of flour a day and a storage capacity of 40,000 tons. Attached to it will be a fodder making plant with a 200 ton capacity every shift of eight hours, and a seed cleaning plant with a nine-ton capacity per hour.

Saddam sees front line as border till war ends

BAGHDAD, Dec. 26 (R) — President Saddam Hussein of Iraq has committed his country to an indefinite military occupation of parts of Iran, saying the Iraqi front line will be the new border until the war is over.

In a speech to the cabinet published by the official press Friday, the president gave a new status to the territory held by Iraqi troops in Iran's vital oil province of Khuzestan and other areas further north.

President Hussein told his ministers the positions now held by Iraqi troops were Iraq's military borders with Iran, and declared: "This is the border, and it will remain so as long as it is defending its territory, for as long as there is a state of war between Iraq and Iran."

Resistance grows as mayor returns

RAMALLAH, Dec. 26 (Agencies) — The home-coming of Karim Khalaf, the mayor of this West Bank town, set off fresh burst of Palestinian resistance to Israeli occupation. Khalaf came home after a four-month stay abroad for treatment after losing his foot to a bomb explosion in his car. The bomb was planted by Jewish extremists.

Khalaf has become an authentic Palestinian war hero, and his town people gave him a near-hysterical welcome when he came home. They carried the handsome gray-haired mayor on their shoulders from his taxi to his desk in city hall, where he made a speech vowing "to redouble my struggle" for Palestinian statehood under the leadership of the Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO).

Khalaf's fellow-mayor, Bassam Shakaa of Nablus, left legless by a similar bombing, was due home Sunday. The explosions occurred last June. The Israeli military government had warned Ramallah leaders that it would tolerate no special receptions for Khalaf.

But the order was ignored and when Khalaf arrived from Jordan, about 1,000 people were waiting, singing PLO anthems about "guns and cannons," to "liberate the homeland." Pandemonium broke out as the mayor was carried up the stairs of the municipality building. An old woman shrieked from an upper-floor window, "do not talk in humiliation, be proud." The men flashed V-for-victory signs.

He ruled out any withdrawal until Iran accepts Iraq's war demands, which include full Iraqi sovereignty over the Shatt Al-Arab waterway and certain border areas.

"Any withdrawal would leave them (the Iranians) on the Iraqi frontier; important points would be open to them and there would always be the possibility of them pushing toward these points and forcing us to fight on our own territory," the president said. The Iranians would easily be able to bombard Iraqi cities, Hussein added.

President Hussein's announcement would force Iran to accept the three-month-old war, according to diplomatic sources here. At first Iraq tried to force Iran to accept its demands by massive lightning invasion. Then it offered a ceasefire and talks. Next it returned to the offensive and captured a major town, the port of Khorramshahr, and besieged another, the oil center of Abadan.

But Iran conceded nothing. Now, the sources said, winter mud makes further military action almost impossible and Iraq has started a phase of political and propaganda moves to show it is prepared to keep troops inside Iran indefinitely.

As Tehran has consistently refused any talks with Baghdad while Iraqi troops are on Iranian soil, this offers little chance of success for any of the many attempts at mediation.

President Hussein, in fact rebuked peace-makers who have asked Iraq to withdraw to the former border, keeping only the disputed areas. "We told them: fine, but who will guarantee that the Iranians will concede the Shatt Al-Arab?" he said, adding that the Iraqis might find themselves still fighting but in a much worse position.

Although President Hussein spent most of his speech talking about consolidating Iraqi gains he also made long references to a little-known area of operations in the far north, an acutely sensitive area populated on both sides of the border by Kurds who have fought for autonomy from Baghdad and Tehran.

The president said that Iraqi forces had been ordered a week ago to push across the frontier into Iran wherever they found they would be in a stronger military position by doing so.

He gave no further details, and elsewhere in his speech recalled at length the bloody years of fighting between the Iraqi army and (Continued on back page)

40 leaders invited; summit costs SR2b

RIYADH, Dec. 26 (SPA) — Conference halls and accommodation in Mecca, Medina and Taif for the forthcoming Islamic summit will be ready in two weeks having cost SR2 billion, Defense minister Prince Sultan said. Forty heads of Islamic states have been invited to the third such summit in 12 years, scheduled for Jan. 24.

Prince Sultan, chairman of the summit's organizing committee, said it will have special significance for Muslims as it is being opened in the holy places. Islamic foreign ministers will meet first on Jan. 17, to prepare the summit's agenda, he said.

Prince Sultan denied foreign reports that relations between Saudi Arabia and the Yemen Arab Republic were strained. He said they were excellent. The Council of Ministers this week studied the relations; Crown Prince Fahd declared nothing would undermine the "brotherly relations."

Prince Sultan also denied reports that the Crown Prince had signed a defense agreement with Pakistan during his recent visit. "The only defense treaty we have signed," Prince Sultan declared, "is the Arab Joint Defence Agreement." This falls under the auspices of the Arab League.

Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani also said the summit will be of crucial importance to Muslims and a fundamental event in the new Hijrah century, the fifteenth. Dr. Yamani said the summit will open in the Holy Haram of Mecca, the holiest place of the Muslim world.

The information minister said the summit will lead to an Islamic league of states, which will eventually become a powerful international bloc to solve inter Islamic problems and present world community appreciates the present international trend toward blocs of countries. The summit will include 40 as well as four observers.

Saudi Arabia, Dr. Yamani added, has especially qualified to host the summit with its stable moderate and independent policies and constant efforts to mediate between Islamic states. All, he said, are also eager to see it held in the holy places.

King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd, he added, are held in high regard by the other heads of state who appreciate their services to Islam. The Iraq-Iran war will be considered by the heads of state, he said, as it was at the recent Arab summit in Amman, where it had been treated frankly and objectively to produce conclusions which, if implemented, could have ended the fighting.

"Iran has responded positively to the appeal of the Arab summit," the minister said. "And it is again declaring its willingness to talk and negotiate a peaceful settlement which means," Dr. Yamani said, "we need a proper strategy to convince our brothers in Iran there is no point in continuing the war which has last so long, so seriously and disturbed all Muslims."

The Islamic leaders, he declared, must create a comprehensive Islamic strategy to prevent such wars in the future.

Saudi Arabia's ministry of information has a master plan for foreign and domestic press coverage of the summit with full facilities for journalists to file their stories and photographs with ease. The ministry will broadcast reports and films on the attending countries on Saudi television and on closed circuits televisions at the conference.

Soviets seek ICRC help to locate missing troops

By Shahid Orakzai
Arab News correspondent

ISLAMABAD, Dec. 26 — The Soviet Union is in touch with the International Committee of Red Cross (ICRC) to locate missing soldiers in Afghanistan who might have been killed or taken prisoners by Mujahideen fighting the Communist regime, an ICRC official told Arab News.

Jean Courvoisier, the leader of ICRC delegation to Pakistan however said that the initiative in this regard had been taken by Geneva headquarters of Red Cross which offered its services to Soviet National Red Cross Society for locating the missing Russian soldiers and confirm the deaths.

The official said his organization had taken the initiative only after some prominent Afghan fighting groups had conveyed their willingness to observe the spirit of article number three of Geneva conventions which relates to respect of prisoners of war.

Emphasizing complete neutrality of Red Cross in the military conflicts, the official added that his organization considered it "a duty to transmit all kinds of information about prisoners of war."

Courvoisier said the Red Cross could also help an exchange of prisoners between the

two sides in view of the fact that Mujahideen too would like to secure release of some of their leaders now in Kabul prisons. To facilitate such an exchange, he added, the prisoners could be shifted to a neutral country and in this connection cited the Swiss role in World War II.

There were unconfirmed reports here that Mujahideen were selling identification documents of dead or captured Soviet military personnel to some Red Cross officials but Courvoisier denied any such deal. The fighters who badly need weapons and ammunition were reportedly demanding a high price for identity cards of Russian soldiers. Some such identity cards had been produced in international press and one of the fighting groups had even released the photographs of some Russian prisoners.

There were no confirmed reports about the number of such Russian POWs with the Mujahideen. With their limited resources and hit and run strategy, maintenance of prisoners was apparently difficult for the fighters but it could not be ruled out entirely.

The Red Cross official was appreciative of Mujahideen, who were neither a signatory to Geneva convention nor a regular fighting force but were ready to implement the spirit of war conventions.

Marcos 'desperate' to see King Khaled

By Joe Pavia
Arab News correspondent
MANILA, Dec. 26 — President Ferdinand Marcos Friday said he was "desperate" and ready to go to Saudi Arabia and ask King Khaled to resume oil supplies to the Philippines, adding that he was still ready to visit Riyadh the moment his majesty granted him an audience.

This was disclosed by the president after he and the first lady, Mrs. Imelda R. Marcos, saw off Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, who left for home after a four-day private visit.

Yamani arrived in Manila on the eve of the announcement through front page editorials in all the major national dailies that Saudi Arabia has agreed to resume its oil supply "after a thorough explanation" of the misunderstanding of the Muslim problem in Mindanao.

"I was desperate," Marcos said when Saudi Arabia cancelled the government-to-government contract for the supply of 10,000 barrels of oil a day to the Philippines. "In fact, I was ready to go to Riyadh at any moment if His Majesty, King Khaled, is available to grant me an audience," the president said.

Saudi Arabia is the source of some 30 per cent of Philippine oil requirements, getting 10,000 barrels on a government-to-government basis and another 56,000 barrels daily from the private sector.

He said Yamani's visit and that of three other Arab oil ministers before him virtually assured the Philippines of enough crude for 1981. At the same time, the visits also



President Marcos enhanced the country's chances of procuring additional oil from Arab countries, Marcos said.

Those who preceded Yamani in coming to Manila after attending the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) oil ministers' meeting in Bali, Indonesia, were Sheikh Khalifa al-Sabah of Kuwait, Tayeh Abdul-Karim of Iraq and Dr. Manar Saeed al-Otaiba of the United Arab Emirates.

Expressing optimism that the Philippines could weather a projected oil crisis next year, Marcos said he believed the country would be able to maintain the 1979 oil consumption level of 240,000 barrels a day. The Philippines could even do away with the 10 per cent cut in consumption this year, he said.

In his meetings with the Arab oil ministers, Marcos said that aside from discussing the purchase of additional crude, he was able to explain to them "all of those misunderstandings about the Mindanao situation."

Shahi leaves Peking

Chinese premier invited

PEKING, Dec. 26 (R) — Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang has accepted an invitation to visit Pakistan, probably in the coming year, Pakistani sources said. The invitation was given to Zhao Thursday by Foreign Minister Agha Shahi, who left Peking for Hong Kong later Friday after a three-day visit to China. Premier Zhao will visit Thailand at the end of January and is likely to go to Burma at about the same time, diplomatic sources said.

Shahi had two rounds of talks lasting nearly seven hours with Chinese Foreign Minister Huang Hua and a meeting lasting more than two hours with Communist Party Vice-Chairman Deng Xiaoping. But he did not see party Chairman Hua Guofeng, who as premier was host to Pakistan's President Zia-ul-Haq during a state visit to Peking last May. Hua, who resigned the premiership in September, may also soon step down as party leader.

Pakistani sources said Shahi's visit had been "very good with very wide-ranging dis-

cussions of all the problems." They said the Chinese appeared to share most of Pakistan's perceptions and concerns on matters ranging from the Gulf and Afghanistan to Southeast Asia. Chinese aid for Pakistan had not been a topic, they said.

M.A. Bhatti, Pakistan's additional foreign secretary, said Shahi came as part of a frequent exchange of views between the two neighboring countries. He said there had been new events since Zia visited China in May.

"One which worries us and China is the situation in the Gulf, the conflict there," he told a reporter. He said Shahi had explained Zia's efforts to mediate in the Iran-Iraq war, in which each side feels it could suffer badly by yielding.

He also said Pakistan expected and hoped the United Nations secretary general could play a role in solving the Afghanistan question.

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Education officials discuss cooperation

DAMMAM, Dec. 26 (SPA) — Dr. Muhammad Said Oahatani, rector of King Fahd University, discussed academic cooperation with Chinese Deputy Minister of Education Dr. Li Mo here.

Dr. Mo is the head of the Chinese delegation to the Sino-Saudi Arabian Joint Cultural Cooperation Committee. The Chinese official toured the university departments, faculties, central library and the teaching hospital in Al-Khobar. He expressed his admiration for the university's modern educational methods.

The Chinese delegation also visited the University of Petroleum and Minerals in Dhahran. Dr. Mo met with Dr. Bakr Abdullah Badr, rector of the university, and inspected the departments and faculties of UPM. The delegation is expected to tour Jeddah as part of its visit to the Kingdom.

The Sino-Saudi joint committee ended its meetings early in the week. The meetings lasted three days led by Dr. Mo and Dr. Mahmoud Muhammad Safar, deputy minister of higher education and secretary general of the higher council of universities. The two

countries agreed to draw up a plan to implement cultural agreements already proposed, and consider proposals related to the educational, cultural and information cooperation program. A Saudi Arabian cultural week will be organized in Taiwan, while the next joint committee annual meeting is to be held in Taipei next year.

In other development, higher Education Minister Sheikh Hassan bin Abdullah Al-Sheikh, the chancellor of Saudi Arabian Universities, met with a Qatari cultural delegation headed by Abdul Rahman Nima Jaber, director of cultural affairs in the ministry of education.

The meeting held in Sheikh Hassan's office in Riyadh Wednesday night dealt with educational cooperation between the Kingdom and Qatar.

Meanwhile, the second seminar for student affairs departments ended its meetings in Dhahran Wednesday night by recommending the necessity of training department employees in the Kingdom's universities, specify their qualifications and the social, scout and administrative activity programs.

On cities development

Prince Majed to open two Arab conferences

JEDDAH, Dec. 26 (SPA) — Mecca Governor Prince Majed will open the 16th session of the Arab Cities Organization's Permanent Committee here Saturday. Prince Majed also will open the first meeting of the Board of Governors of the Arab Urban Development Institute that begins on the same day.

Dr. Hassan Hamza Hajrah, assistant secretary general of Jeddah Municipality, said Wednesday that the Arab Cities Organization meeting will last three days, and will be attended by 17 delegates in charge of Arab capitals. The meeting will discuss means of establishing cooperation and full integrity between Arab capitals, Dr. Hajrah said.

He added that a seminar on the 'Arab city' will follow the meeting. The seminar will be held in Medina, and will deal with the special character of the Arab city and its Islamic and cultural features.

Meanwhile, the Executive Bureau of the Arab Cities Organization Wednesday night demanded the expulsion of Israel from the United Nations and adopted sanctions against the Zionist entity for its challenging of the resolutions of the international society.

Concluding its meetings in Kuwait, the organization's secretary general, Abdul Aziz Al-Adasani, sent a message in this regard to the U.N. Secretary General, Dr. Kurt Wal-



Dr. Muhammad Qahatani

The committees that participated in the seminar agreed to take part in student seminars, lectures, travels and camps in cooperation with the teaching staff assembly. In addition, they also will take part in directing cultural and scientific clubs and stress the role of mosques and the necessity of displaying cultural films, supervise student services and organize meetings with students in their housing units. The committees agreed to include these directing and supervising services in the evaluation of academic improvement.

The seminar recommended providing care and educational guidance for students in career consultation and human relations. It also recommended the necessity of specifying appropriate designs for university housing by observing health and other requirements for the students, including recreational, cultural, sports and general services.

heim; the Security Council; the Arab Red Crescent Society; the International Red Cross Society; the Human Rights Council and several international organizations involved in urban development.

Adasani welcomed the Security Council's recent resolution regarding the return of the two West Bank Mayors, Fahd Quasmeih and Muhammad Milhem, deported from their country by the Israeli occupation forces. Adasani had earlier in the day opened the temporary headquarters of the Arab Cities Organization. The opening was attended by members of the permanent committee of the organization.

Yamani takes Philippine vacation

By Joe Pavia

Arab News Correspondent

MANILLA, Dec. 26 — Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani spent the weekend in Baguio City, the Philippines' summer capital 240 kilometers north of Manila.

Malacanang did not make any announcement of Yamani's trip to Baguio city but it was learned Yamani and his party flew to the mountain resort Wednesday afternoon. He was accompanied by his Filipino counterpart, Energy Minister Geronimo Velasco.

Yamani and his group are expected to return to Manila later. There is no official announcement yet on his departure as his hosts are keeping a tight lid on his itinerary since this is a private visit.

In Baguio City

While Yamani is in Baguio, his hosts, Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos and his wife Mrs. Imelda R. Marcos, spent a quiet day at Puerto Azul, a seaside resort about 70 kilometers South of Manila.

Yamani, who quietly flew in aboard a private jet from Sydney, Australia, Monday evening, heads an impressive list of prominent Saudi Arabian officials who visited the Philippines the past few weeks. Before Yamani's arrival, Minister of State and Ports Authority President Dr. Fayez Badr concluded a six-day official visit.

The visits are significant in the light of the efforts of the Philippines to keep its oil supply lines flowing and to present a true picture of the situation in the country, including the

Muslim problem in Mindanao.

Observers in Manila say there is no substitute for first hand information on the real situation in the country. "By coming to the Philippines, they will have a feel of the country and see for themselves what is really happening," the same observers added.

The morning after his arrival, Yamani received the ancient order of Sikatuna, rank of Datu, from Marcus at Malacanang. On the same afternoon he received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from the University of the Philippines.

That Tuesday night, he was guest of honor in a dinner tendered by his hosts, the first couple. It was during this dinner that Marcos praised Saudi Arabia and Yamani.

COMMENT

By Abdullah Omar Khayyat
Al-Jazirah

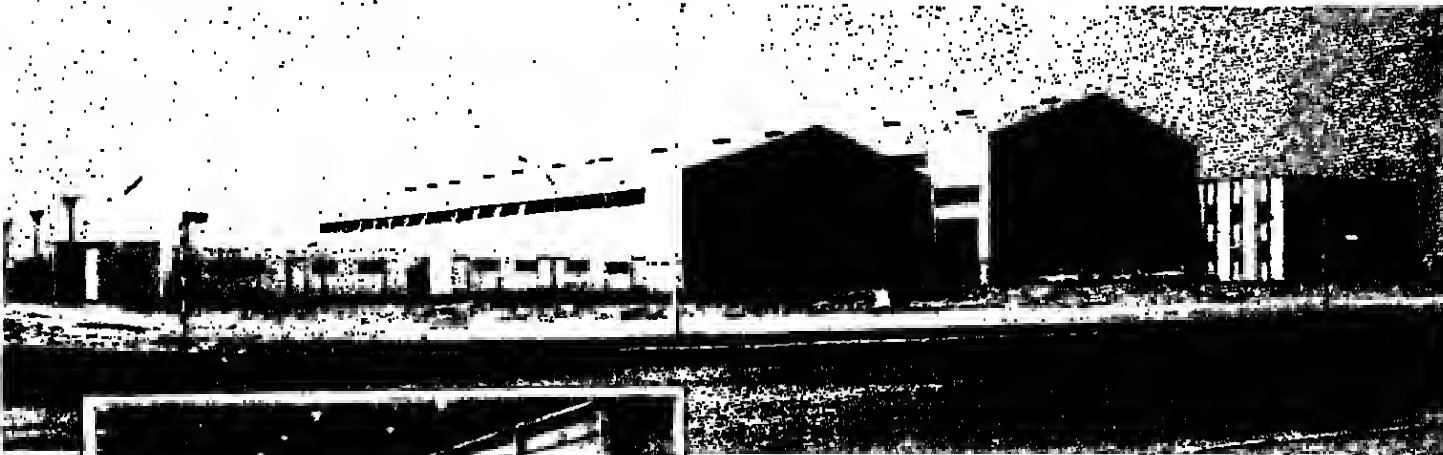
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Prince Saud

Jerusalem talks bear fruit

RABAT, Dec. 26 (SPA) — Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal described the results of the Jerusalem Committee meeting as an important step and a basis for confronting the challenge facing the Muslim world, the Palestinian question and Jerusalem in particular. The prince made the remarks before departing here Wednesday upon conclusion of the committee's discussions.

Concluding its meeting, the Jerusalem committee expressed the grave concern of all countries toward repeated Zionist aggression against Lebanon and the Palestinian people. The final statement demanded the U.N. Security Council an immediate solution to stop these aggressions and the withdrawal of Israeli forces from the south of Lebanon.

The statement condemned Zionist attempts to Judaize Jerusalem, exercise collective punishments of its residents, building elements to force the original residents to migrate and assaults on the Islamic holy places. The committee reiterated that the entire question and the liberating of Jerusalem is an Islamic duty to which all Islamic countries adhere to under a political, military and economic strategy. The strategy should also maintain the victories of the Palestinian revolution according to a detailed and clear Islamic joint work.

The committee began its meetings Monday attended by Saudi Arabia, Morocco, Jordan, Bangladesh, Lebanon, Syria, Sudan, Indonesia, Pakistan, Senegal, the PLO and the Organization of the Islamic Conference — who represented by Habib Chatri, the secretary general.

Moroccan Foreign Minister Boucetta said in a press conference after the final session that the committee had adopted effective and successful methods that would stop the Zionist arrogance according to a well-studied plan. The meetings were not restricted to the issue of Jerusalem only, but covered the Arab cause as a whole, Boucetta said.

He added that the strategy, endorsed by the committee and that will be approved by the upcoming Islamic Summit Conference to be held in Taif, will end the Zionist challenge, liberate Jerusalem and the occupied Arab territories and restore the rights of the Palestinian people. Boucetta expected that next year will witness decisive international changes.

SAPTCO shareholders told

Bus lines carried 30m

RIYADH, Dec. 26 (SPA) — Nearly 30 million passengers have used Saudi Public Transportation buses since it began offering services a year ago, according to Communications Minister Sheikh Hussein Mansouri.

Addressing a meeting of shareholders here over the weekend, Mansouri, who is also chairman, told the first annual general meeting that the company has performed satisfactorily and will continue expanding until service is provided throughout the Kingdom. In the first year SAPTCO transported 28.3 million passengers inside the cities and 1.4 million among cities. The company has 900 buses, of which 50 are double deckers, and has trailers for use during the pilgrimage.

The company spent SR241,494,000 in the first year out of a budget of \$421,735,000 which enabled it to operate its buses in Riyadh, Mecca, Jeddah, Medina, Qasim and the eastern Region, as well as services between Mecca, Medina, Jeddah and Taif. There are plans for services between Riyadh-Mecca, Riyadh-Jeddah, Riyadh-Qasim, and Riyadh-Dammam.

These services are backed by a well-equipped workshop and maintenance teams, which cost SR250 million for spares alone. Warehouses are located in Jeddah, Riyadh, Dammam, Taif, Mecca, Medina. The company has offices and accommodation buildings in several cities.

Mansouri said earlier this year that the company helped improve traffic safety conditions by saving more than 280,000 small cars that would have been essential to carry passengers inside the cities and between them without SAPTCO.

The company started with a team of foreign drivers, repairmen and administrators but is gradually Saudizing its staff through training programs. It is providing management courses through lectures and seminars. Mansouri said last August that the company had invited management experts in Saudi Arabia and from abroad to work out an intensive training program which later will serve as a basis for promoting staff members. It is also intended to improve the basic administrative standards and the way problems are dealt with.

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Prayer Times

Saturday	Mecca	Medina	Nejd
Fajr	5.32	5.39	5.10
Ishraq	6.52	7.04	6.35
Dhuhr	12.22	12.23	11.54
Asr	3.26	3.22	2.53
Maghreb	5.48	5.43	5.14
Isha	7.18	7.13	6.44



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Gulf health to be considered in conference

MANAMA, Dec. 26 (SPA) — The 10th conference of Arab Gulf Ministers of Health will open here Jan. 3 and will last two days, according to Bahraini Health Minister Dr. Ali Fakhru.

The conference will discuss several health issues concerning Gulf citizens, including a working paper for collective coordination in the country sought by Gulf citizens for medical treatment to protect them and guide them to guaranteed medical places, the minister said.

Dr. Fakhru added that another proposal to be presented at the conference for discussion is a united system for controlling foodstuffs in the Gulf states. The proposal includes establishing a main laboratory building a higher studies college for general health.

The Gulf states also will discuss coordination for fighting Malaria, and will support the

voluntary Fund for Assistance in Gulf states that still suffer from the problem of malaria, in addition to other issues.

Meanwhile, another regional seminar on development management in Gulf and Arabian Peninsula states opened in Manama Thursday. The seminar was attended by experts in charge of development in these countries.

BRIEFS

Power Station Planned

JEDDAH, Dec. 26 (SPA) — An agreement has been reached with four international firms for building a main electricity power station for the Western Region that link Jeddah, Mecca and Taif. The station is to be located in Jeddah as the first step in a series of similar projects that will extend to Dammam and Yanbu and link them to Jeddah, according to officials Friday.

Line cutters announced

JEDDAH, Dec. 26 — Saudi Telephone published the names of contracting companies whose workers caused the destruction of 200 telephone lines in the city recently. Duderbau holding the dubious distinction of cutting 920 lines.

Saudia opens Medina office

JEDDAH, Dec. 26 — Saudia General Manager Captain Ahmad Mattar opened the new office here. During the ceremony he said the Medina-Cairo route will be used to enable Egyptian and other pilgrims to visit the holy city on their way to Mecca.

Health personnel hired

RIYADH, Dec. 26 — The Health Ministry contracted to hire 900 doctors and nurses service in the Kingdom. They include Egyptians, Syrians and Sudanese, according to ministry sources. These sources said that ministry will build within three years a medical service complex here with a capacity for 1,200 beds.

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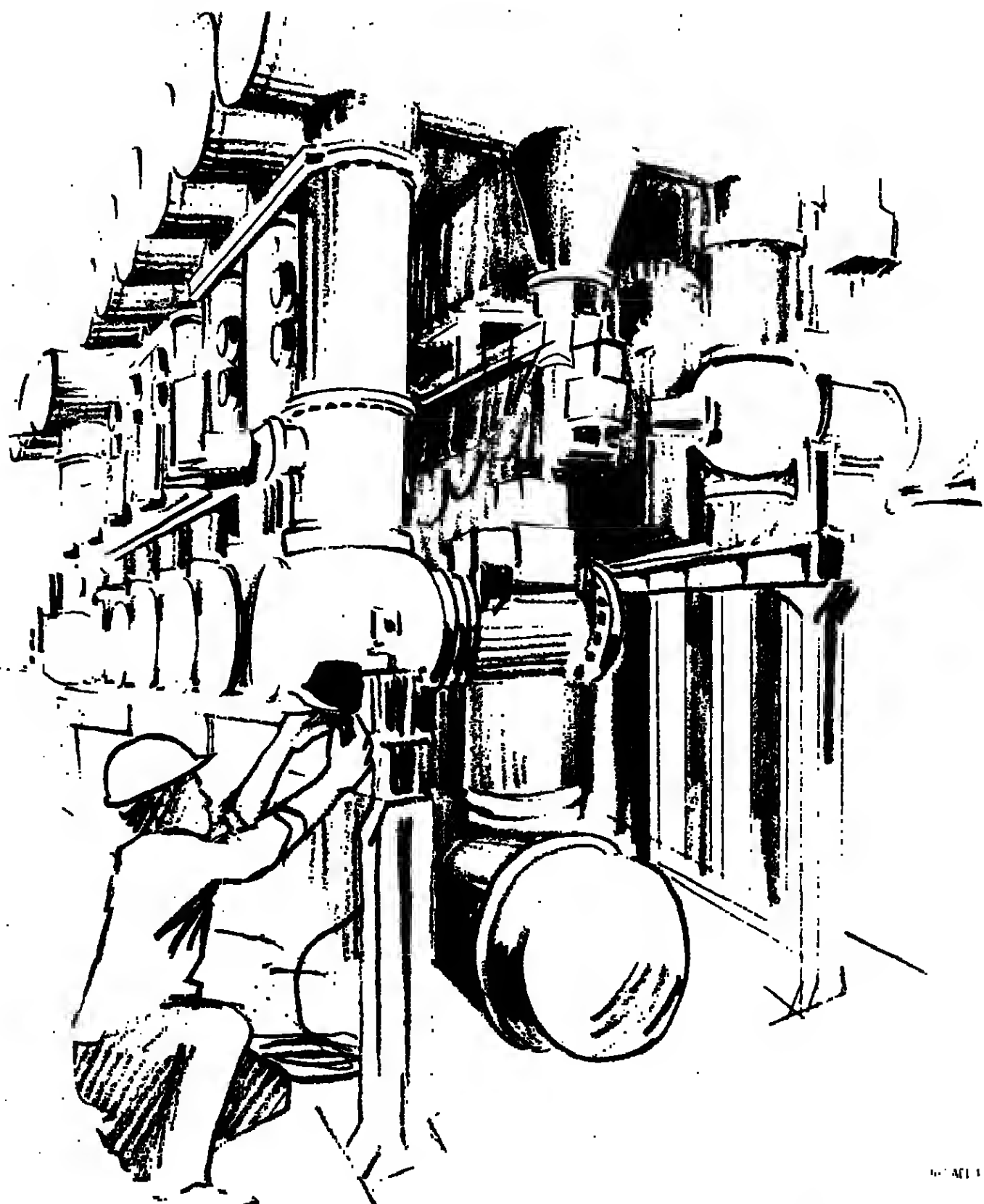
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Sadat vows more arms to Afghanistan fighters

CAIRO, Dec. 26 (Agencies) — President Anwar Sadat, a bitter critic of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, has pledged to send more arms to Afghan freedom fighters, Sadat gave the pledge in an interview with Cairo television on his 62nd birthday.

"I have sent weapons (to Afghan fighters), and I declare here that I will send more weapons," Sadat said.

He called on all Egyptians "to do what they can" to aid the Afghan rebels fighting the Soviet-backed regime of Babrak Karmal.

"I ask my people to do what they can, participate in any way they can, to aid the people of Afghanistan. I ask them to donate what they can, clothes, money, blankets, food — to help the Afghan people and refugees," Sadat added.

Sadat said he timed his appeal with a conference scheduled to begin in Cairo next week to discuss the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan and Egypt's solidarity with the Afghan peoples. The conference is to be held at the League of Arab and Islamic Nations, formed by Sadat to replace the 21 state Arab League that was moved from Cairo to Tunis by Arab states opposed to Egypt's peace treaty with Israel.

The league has established a special bureau for Afghan fighters, and Sadat personally deposited approximately \$1.4 million in the bureau's special fund for the support of the rebels, league officials announced last week.

In his birthday interview Sadat said he would be "opening my cupboard and sending clothes to help the refugees deal with the harsh weather conditions in their country at this time of year."

Sadat also spoke of proposed tax and



President Sadat

insurance laws, as well as an amelioration of the housing crisis. His only reference to the Egyptian-Israeli peace process and the stalled talks on autonomy for the Palestinians in Israeli-occupied territories was a reiteration that "the basis for a comprehensive settlement has been laid, and such a settlement is coming, there is no doubt about that."

"This includes a solution to the Palestinian problem and peaceful coexistence between us and the Israelis," Sadat was quoted as saying.

Bettors, horses machinegunned at Beirut race track

BEIRUT, Dec. 26 (AP) — Unknown assailants machinegunned bettors and horses in Beirut's mid-city race track on Thursday, wounding one man and forcing a cancellation of the Christmas prize race, police reported.

A spokesman said some 5,000 attendants panicked as the gunmen opened up on horses lined up at the start for the big race and then turned their machine guns on the stands, touching off a stampede for exits.

Many dove for shelter from bullets only to be trampled upon by panicky spectators, but no serious injuries were reported in addition to the victim suffering the gunshot wound, the spokesman added.

It was the third armed attack in three weeks aimed at stopping the races at the 62-year-old "place of peace" track, one of the rare spots in the Lebanese capital where Muslims and Christians still peacefully coexisted.

The spokesman said the assailants fired from the roof of a high-rise apartment building overlooking the mile-long, circular course on the so-called greenline that divides Beirut into mostly Muslim and mostly Christian halves since the country's 1975-76 civil war. But none was found when the building was raided by security forces, he added.

The track, where only Arabian steeds are raced and thoroughbreds prohibited, is heavily guarded by Lebanese police and Syrian troops of the Arab Deterrent Force.

The spokesman said Thursday's attack "proved the existence of a group that is trying to stop the races. But we still don't know why or how they are managing to penetrate the track's security dragnet."

43 extremists held in Turkey

ISTANBUL, Dec. 26 (AP) — Security forces arrested 43 suspected urban guerrillas and believe they have captured almost all the members of a well-known leftist terrorist group, police sources said. The suspects belong to Dev-Yol, or "revolutionary left," which is led by university students, sources said.

Dev-Yol controlled several small towns in Asia Minor before the bloodless military coup Sept. 12. Since then, security forces have taken back the towns as part of a drive to root out terrorism in this NATO-member country.

Police charged the suspects with slaying 23 opponents and staging a string of bombing attacks in the Istanbul area. They found 74 pistols, a sten gun, a large quantity of ammunition, banned leftist books and plans for terrorist attacks on public property and police stations, sources said.



MILITARY CELEBRATION: King Hussein of Jordan (third from left), joins soldiers of the Jordanian army in a traditional Dabke's dance, during celebrations Monday marking the 30th anniversary of the formation of Jordan's first Royal Armored Battalion.

Egypt, Israel to discuss agriculture

TEL AVIV, Dec. 26 (Agencies) — Egypt's Agriculture Minister Mahmoud Dawoud arrived in Tel Aviv Friday on a five-day visit during which he will discuss possible agricultural cooperation with Israel.

Dawoud will tour Israeli farms and agricultural development centers and will have talks with Israeli Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon.

He told reporters at the airport: "I have come to look at Israeli agriculture. We hope to be able to share some of our experience." He is also scheduled to meet Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

Egypt blasts Libyan role in Chad

CAIRO, Dec. 26 (R) — Egypt has denounced Libya's military intervention in Chad and called for the withdrawal of all Libyan troops from the country. A statement by the foreign ministry Thursday expressed concern at "the Libyan intervention in Chad which threatened the security and stability of neighboring African countries."

The statement also regretted the failure of a 12-nation summit conference in Lagos to

Peres hits French N- aid to Iraq

PARIS, Dec. 26 (R) — Israeli opposition leader Shimon Peres Friday criticized France's nuclear cooperation with Iraq and said that the Middle East might be sitting on an atomic volcano before the end of the decade.

"France is making a grave mistake in giving Iraq nuclear capacity," he said in an interview with *Le Quotidien de Paris* newspaper. "Once Iraq possesses that capacity, it will be difficult to control it," he claimed.

"From Israel's point of view, it is not a

matter of finding technical solutions, but political ones to solve this problem. Before the end of the decade, several Middle East countries will have nuclear power. That is why we must combine our efforts with those of countries in the area to reach a global peaceful settlement before the Middle East has itself sitting on an atomic volcano," Peres added.

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BRIEFS

CAIRO, (R) — Egypt has decided to ratify the treaty for nonproliferation of nuclear weapons which it initiated in 1968, Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali said. Ali told reporters Thursday the decision had been taken by the cabinet and would be referred to the People's Assembly (parliament) for endorsement.

TEL AVIV, (AP) — Lt. Gen. Raphael Eytan, the military chief of staff, was about to resign over cuts in the defense budget, but was persuaded to stay in office rather than embarrass the military, an Israeli newspaper reported Friday. Military officials declined to comment on the report, which appeared in the daily *Maariv*.

MOSCOW, (R) — The Soviet Union and Afghanistan have signed two agreements covering economic and technical cooperation and Soviet aid in training "national personnel," the official news agency Tass said.

TEL AVIV, (R) — New York City Mayor Edward Koch toured Jerusalem Thursday and advised Israeli leaders to hold on to the entire city. Accompanied by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, Koch visited various sections of the city, including the Israeli western part and the Arab eastern sector occupied by Israel in the 1967 Middle East war.

RABAT, (R) — Ahmad Taibi Benhima, former foreign minister and information minister of Morocco, died here Thursday, officials said Friday. He was 53.

ALGIERS, (AFP) — Polisario Front guerrillas killed 36 Moroccan soldiers in a battle in the border area between Morocco and Western Sahara, the Polisario said here. The statement claimed that the Polisario forces destroyed three trucks and four artillery guns, and seized Moroccan positions.



ARRESTED: Turkish police announced last week the arrest of 33 members and the top leaders of TKP/ML-TIKKO, the Turkish pseudonym for a leftist Turkish terrorist organization which disrupted Turkey with a wave of ambush-slayings and other extremist activity before the military coup on Sept. 12. Another 43 suspected urban terrorists were arrested Thursday.

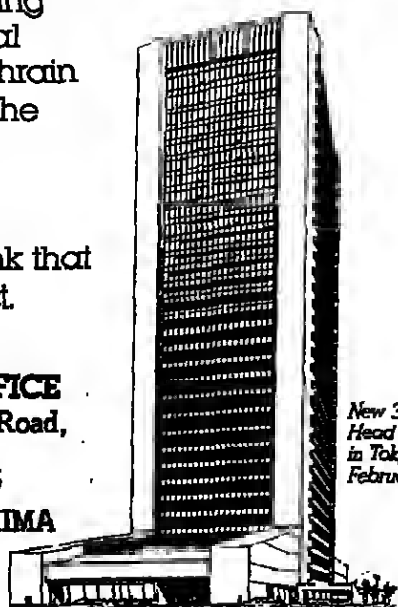
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TAIPEI — Since ancient times, the Chinese have regarded jade as a treasure and a symbol of virtue and culture. A man of letters would carry a piece of the stone as evidence of his academic achievements. A young lady wore a piece of jade jewelry to show her dignity and good taste. People generally believed that jade could ward off evil spirits, and, therefore, protect them from danger.

Green is the color of the best jade, but a stone of many hues may be even more valuable. White represents sanctity, green symbolizes advancement in one's career, red suggests longevity, and purple signifies wholeness. A piece of jade containing all four colors can command an astronomical price.

Wealthy families often adorn the bodies of deceased relatives with jade bracelets or pendants. Jade taken from a grave is particularly valued, since it is believed to have absorbed the blood of a dead person, and is therefore even more potent in its ability to banish evil.

In San Francisco park

'The Windmill Lady' restores landmarks

By Charles Hillinger

SAN FRANCISCO (LAT) — Eleanor Rossi Crabtree's children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren call her the "Mother of the Windmill."

Thousands of other San Franciscans know the 75-year-old woman as "The Windmill Lady."

For 17 years the San Francisco socialite has been running a personal campaign to raise funds to restore the two giant windmills in Golden Gate Park.

North Windmill, 90 feet high, was built in 1902. Murphy Windmill, five feet higher, went up in 1905. The San Francisco landmarks are two of the largest windmills in America.

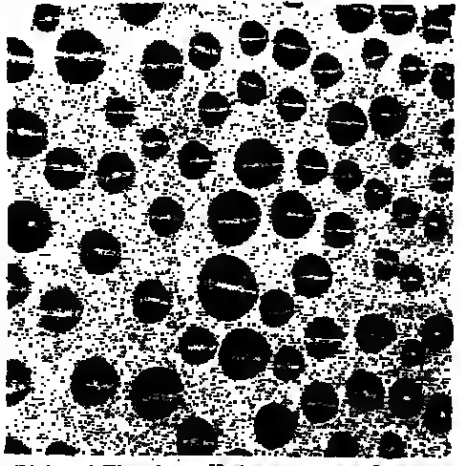
The huge windmills pumped water from underground springs to irrigate the park through the 1930s. About 50 years ago electrical power supplanted wind power to pump the water.

In time the windmill blades weathered and dropped off, and the windmills deteriorated until they were in a shambles.

No one seemed to care until Mrs. Crabtree came along. "Without the Windmills there would be no Golden Gate Park," she said.

Golden Gate Park is one of the greatest

Taiwan's annual production of jade is estimated at 1,000 metric tons. Prof. Tan Li-ping, a jade specialist at the National Taiwan University estimates that, at 600,000



JADE: "Tiger's eye" stones are much prized

tons, deposits in Taiwan account for more than half of the world total. About 99 per cent of Taiwan jade is produced in an area of only 800 hectares around Fengtien in Hualien county on the eastern side of the island.

At one time, Fengtien was more known for its asbestos deposits than its jade. During the Second World War, the Japanese Navy relied on Fengtien for its supplies to insulate the boilers on its warships, and asbestos miners were exempt from military service abroad.

After Taiwan's retrocession from Japan, the Chinese government continued to mine asbestos from Fengtien, and also obtained supplies of talc for the paper, rubber and pesticide industries. Jade was only discovered in the area in 1961.

Over the past 15 years, high-quality jade, which can be sliced into pieces only two millimeters thick, has been excavated. Taiwan's jade is as hard as that found in Canada and Korea, but it is greener because of its higher

chromium content.

Said Prof. Tan: "Taiwan jade is the best in the world in terms of transparency, texture and variety of colors, but its reputation has been tarnished by improper mining methods." He explained that miners rely on past experience and sheer luck in conducting their operations. Because they use high explosives, the stone is often cracked, leading to the belief that it is not hard enough. Another drawback is the lack of clear demarcation between color bands, which reduces appeal on export markets.

The government is now paying attention to the importance of Taiwan's jade deposits. Last October, some NT\$9 million (\$250,000) was set aside to improve recovery methods, and the Executive Yuan has ordered the establishment of a task force to survey distribution of the mineral and how best to market it.

Miners have been required to adopt more advanced techniques, and inspections are carried out to make sure that no cracked or blemished pieces are exported.

Prof. Tan, who is in charge of this project, said that in the past, only 200 tons of marketable jade could be extracted from 1,000 tons of raw material because of damage caused by dynamite blasting. Since less forceful satchel charges were used, the damage has been reduced. But the most efficient mining method of all, involving the use of cutting machines, will have to wait until sufficient funds are available, Prof. Tan said.

The excavated rock is trucked to Hualien for sale to a processing factory. Often, however, it is shipped by eager buyers before it reaches its destination. The buyers splash the rock with water to determine its color, quality and purity. High quality jade sells for \$30 a kilogram, while low-quality stone can only fetch \$9.

In the processing factory, the jade is cut,



MINING: Taiwan is believed to have over half the world's total jade reserves

carved and polished. Craftsmen base their techniques and designs on examples of the ancient artifacts in the National Palace Museum in Taipei. In addition to jewelry, Taiwan jade is made into Buddha statues, screens, incense burners and other artistic products.

Another expert in the field, Prof. Wang Chih-ming of the National Taiwan University's department of geology, said that each year large quantities of soft jade are shipped in Taiwan from Alaska for processing before being re-exported. International recognition of Taiwan's expertise in the field came when the Australian National Museum entrusted a local company to carve a 1,000-carat opal Buddha. Since one carat of opal is worth \$700, such a stone can be regarded as a national treasure. The processing factory worked on the opal day and night under heavy guard before the statue was finished, and was shipped to the museum together with the pieces left over. The work won high praise for the techniques of craftsmen in Taiwan.

One of the most outstanding contributors to Taiwan's jade processing industry is Yang

Tzu-hung, who has run a processing business with his father since he graduated from senior high school, and was the first person on the island to polish a piece of jade cat's eye. The stone sold for NT \$150,000 (\$4,200), an amount which astonished Hualien's jade industry.

Thousands of people flocked to a nearby abandoned rockpile and riverbed to look for more cat's eye material. In the past more than 10 years, about \$280 million worth of cat's eye jade has been sold on the domestic and world markets. The variety, only produced in Sri Lanka and Taiwan, is preferred in Japan and Southeast Asian nations. The Ceylonese often fashion a piece into an heirloom, and a good stone can be more valuable than an equivalent diamond or ruby. One sold for 180 million yen (\$ 800,000) in Japan recently.

The boom in the jade industry has persuaded more and more people to work in the field. According to the Hualien Tourist Association, more than 300,000 people in the area are employed by the jade processing industry at present.

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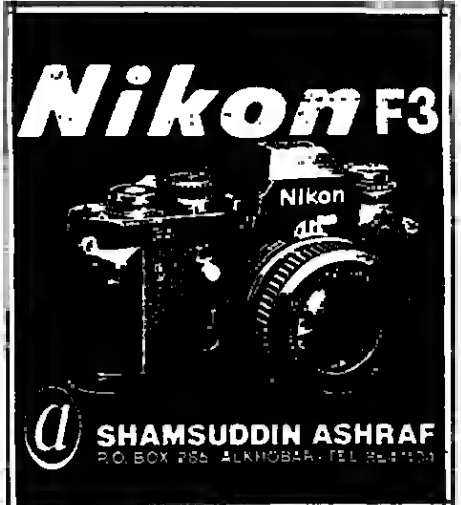
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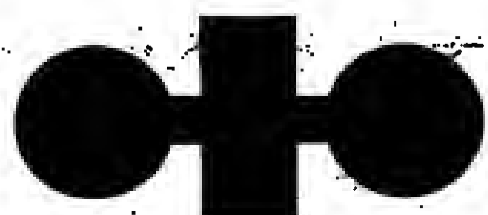
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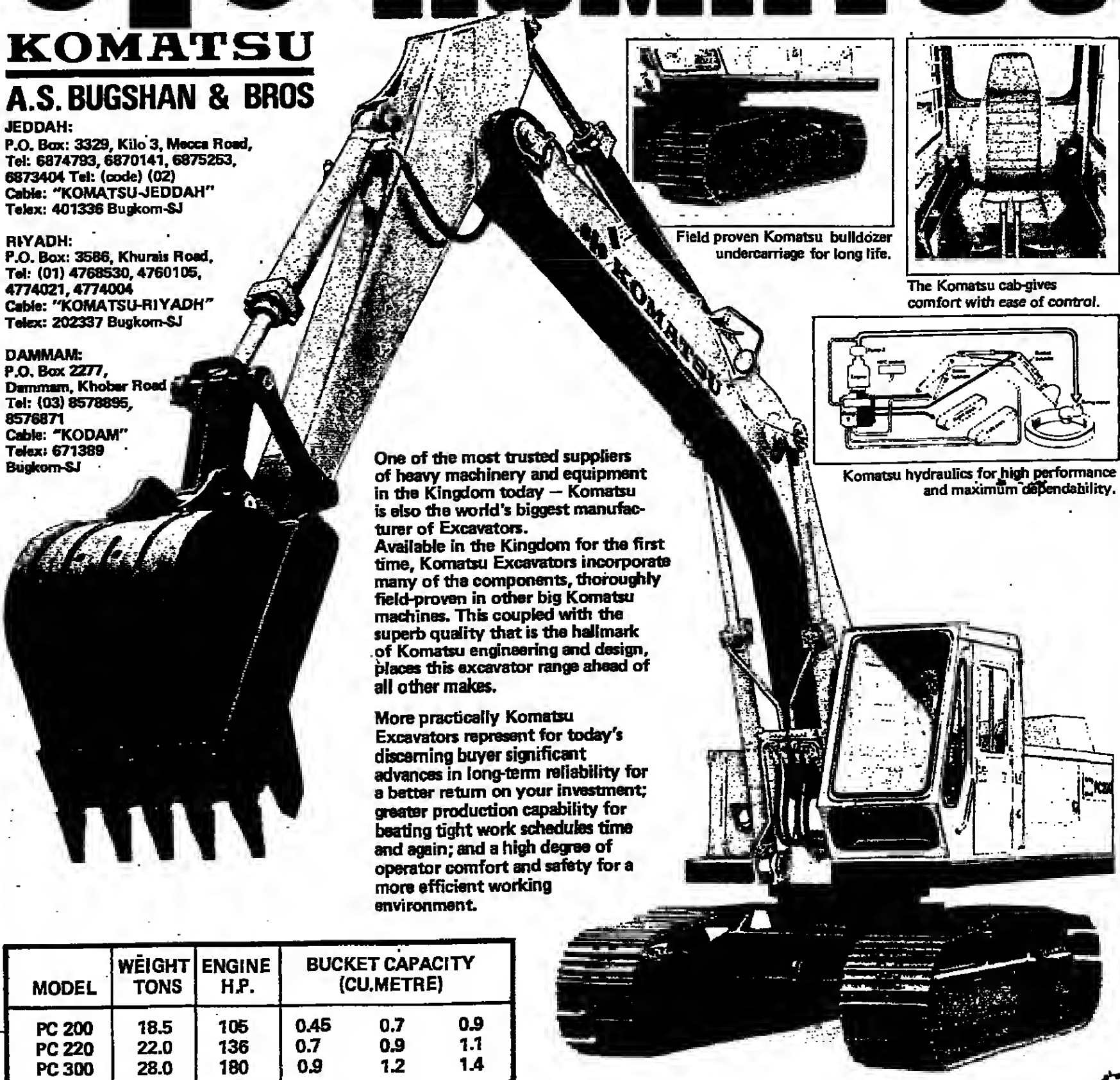
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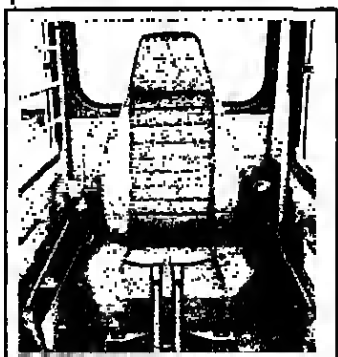
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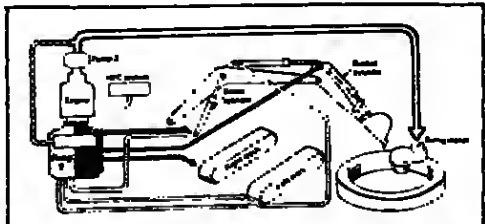
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After West Bank visit

U.S. professors protest Israeli repression

BELMONT, U.S.A. — The Association of Arab-American University graduates has strongly protested the recent action of the Israeli military government of the occupied West Bank in detaining foreign correspondents, confiscating films and tapes, and preventing correspondents from entering certain areas of the West Bank.

In the several days following the Begin government's December 5, 1980 expulsion of Palestinian mayors Fahd Kawasmeh and Mohammed Milhem, CBS, ABC and UPI were targets of such actions as they attempted to cover the widespread protest in West Bank towns and villages. AAUG President Dr. Khalil Nakhleh noted that: "Not only are such actions extremely damaging to the ability of the press to fulfill its responsibilities to its readership, but they also place the population of the West Bank in serious jeopardy, both because the Israeli army can operate in an unrestrained manner and because confiscated interviews and films can subject Palestinians to detention, interrogation and imprisonment."

The Israeli military government's attempted "justification" — that the presence of the press provokes demonstrations — ignores both the thirteen-year history of West Bank resistance to occupation, which, whether through commercial strikes, student protests, town assemblies or mass demonstrations, has been both consistent and largely unreported in the West, and the recent series of assaults by the Israeli military government on West Bank institutions, leaders and popular organizations. This "iron fist" policy, which dates roughly from May 1980, has created intolerable conditions in universities, schools and among the general population that have generated this new round of resistance.

The experience of an AAUG-sponsored fact-finding delegation of American academics, which visited West Bank universities from November 24-30, 1980, parallels the crackdown on the press. While driving past Kadri Toqian High School in Nablus on November 26, 1980, members of this group attempted to photograph frightened students trapped inside the school and surrounded by the Israeli army. Soldiers confiscated the film and seized the identification papers of the

Arab driver of the bus. Later, a military spokesman, as reported in the November 27 *Jerusalem Post* transformed the siege of the students, who the delegation observed inside their school, into a "two hour melee" in the street in which the soldiers "finally opened fire." Israeli soldiers shot two students in this incident.

The report of the AAUG fact-finding party has now been released.

"Recent demonstrations on the West



VICTIM: Nablus mayor Bassam Shakaa who lost his legs in a car bomb explosion in June

Bank were part of a general Palestinian resistance to military occupation, but must be understood specifically in terms of the crippling restrictions placed on higher education by military authorities. Military order no. 854, issued on July 6, 1980 in particular extends to institutions of higher learning a whole series of regulations which previously applied to elementary and secondary schools.

"These include an extensive censorship of teaching materials (more than eleven hundred books of various types are specifically forbidden for use in classrooms as well as possession by individuals), onerous restric-

tions on formal lectures and extracurricular programs and events. The recent student protests at Birzeit University, for instance, challenged a ban by the military government on the celebration of Palestine Week, a cultural event whose most provocative feature turned out to be the representation of the Palestinian flag in certain student paintings. Meanwhile, all lectures by visitors and outside speakers must be approved submitted one month in advance. Compliance with these regulations, does not, of course, ensure the approval of such events, which are frequently forbidden arbitrarily and without further explanation, on the summary grounds of Israeli "security."

"Even more serious than such forms of harassment and provocation, even more damaging to the pursuit of education than the systematic military control and censorship of the curriculum, is a whole range of restrictions on the freedom of individual students and faculty members, from random detention to the denial of work permits, the suspension of expulsion of students from school, restrictions on freedom of movement, and in some cases the outright expulsion of students of faculty. At Al-Najah University in Nablus, for instance, faculty work permits which were at best renewable annually have gradually been reduced to periods of six months and in some cases even to one month or two-week durations. It is obviously extremely difficult for such institutions to recruit faculty when the latter can never be sure that their work permits will not be revoked without explanation in the middle of the academic semester. Thus, at Birzeit University this week, Jawad Barghouti, Professor of Cultural Studies, who left North Carolina State University at Raleigh to teach on the West Bank, found his work permit denied, effective immediately, after he had begun to teach.

"The arbitrary denial of permits extends beyond the harassment of individuals, however, and is aimed specifically at preventing the organization and creation of a whole range of associations and groups. It can be used to delay or prohibit the institution of new programs: at Al-Najah the request for permission to open an agricultural school has been denied for several years without expla-

nation (agriculture is of course a particularly sensitive field of study, in the West Bank, where the Begin settlement policy is aimed at preempting or confiscating Palestinian farmland and water resources). Meanwhile, the very operation and continued existence of the West Bank institutions of higher learning must be reappraised annually by the military government.

"The major targets of such refusals to license new organizations are clearly students and professional associations (particularly insofar as these imply wider contact and communication between the various campuses) as well as labor unions. This is part of a systematic effort to hamper the development of Palestinian community organization, which has also included the detention or expulsion of some of the mayors and the "town arrest" of major community leaders. The intensification of this repression can be dated from the announcement of the so-called "iron fist" policy by the Begin Government in May 1980, subsequent to the signing of the Camp David Accords.

"Palestinian Universities also suffer from a tax status under which, unlike Israeli Universities, laboratory equipment and teaching materials, even when these have been approved by the military authorities, and sometimes after delays as long as three years in delivery, are subject to onerous customs duties and taxes sometimes 100 of their value.

"Paradoxically, these repressive measures, which crystallize in Order no. 854, have brought about the opposite of what they were intended to achieve: far from order and submission, they have resulted in a renewal of Palestinian national consciousness and resistance, as the recent mass demonstrations show. These measures are of course an integral part of the more general repressive atmosphere of daily life under military occupation. Yet more specifically they destabilize higher education, which is one of the key resources of the Palestinian people. We ask that they be repealed immediately, and that academics from other countries and people of good will generally join us in denouncing these measures and in making them more widely known to world public opinion."



JERUSALEM: Israeli police club a Palestinian demonstrator

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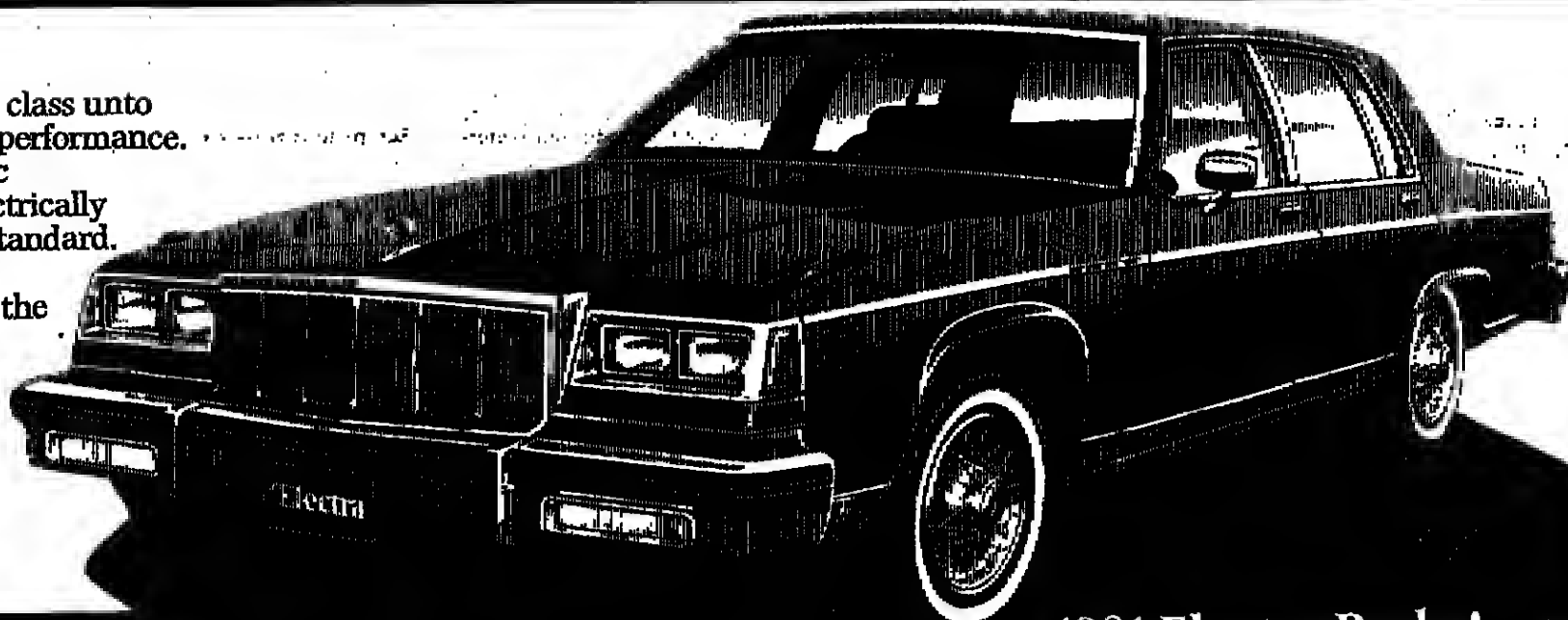
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Surrendered to Allies Hitler successor Doenitz dead at 89

AUMUEHLE, West Germany, Dec. 26 (R) — Former Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz, the man who succeeded Adolf Hitler in 1945 and agreed to Nazi Germany's unconditional surrender, died here Wednesday night, his housekeeper has reported. He was 89.

Doenitz, commander of Germany's U-boats during World War II, died at his house in this north German village near Hamburg. He had been ill for several months and spent some time in a hospital last month, his housekeeper said.

The tall, stiff-necked admiral announced Hitler's death in a broadcast to the German people on May 1, 1945 and told them the Fuehrer had appointed him as his successor. He immediately tried to negotiate a surrender and later, authorized, Gen. Alfred Jodl to sign the unconditional surrender demanded by the American allied commander, Gen. Dwight Eisenhower.

The grand admiral was one of the war's fiercest and most feared German naval commanders. He had a fanatical faith in sub-

Freedom nearer for Mrs. Peron

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 26 (AP) — The military government that overthrew President Isabel Peron in 1976 has lifted an executive order under which she was imprisoned. The action leaves the issue of her freedom for the courts to decide.

Peronist Party sources explained that the government had "removed one of the two locks" keeping Mrs. Peron, 49, under house arrest at an estate in nearby San Vicente. She remains there on the independent orders of two federal judges trying her for corruption in office.

The trials are in recess until the end of a long judicial holiday which ends Feb. 1. But the party sources said President Jorge Videla, who led the coup against Mrs. Peron, apparently wants them finished before his five-year term ends in March.

Mrs. Peron, arrested the day of the military takeover, was sentenced to prison on three of the four corruption charges growing out of her 21-month presidency, which she inherited from her late husband, populist dictator Juan Peron. Prosecutors have not yet asked for a sentence in the fourth case.

She is accused of diverting \$1 million intended for flood victims into her private bank account, signing a \$700,000 check for a charity fund into the account, permitting irregularities in the construction of a museum for her husband's remains, and transferring a state building to the Peronist Party.

Even if she is convicted, defense lawyers expect Mrs. Peron's prompt release on grounds that her five-year detention makes her eligible for parole.

marines and used to tell his crews: "Kill and keep on killing."

"No survivors," he would order at the commanders of his U-boats. "Humanity is a weakness."

Shortly after the German surrender, Doenitz tried to escape by sea but was arrested and sentenced to 10 years imprisonment at the 1946 Nuremberg war crimes

trials. Among the charges of which he was convicted were permitting continuation of an order to shoot allied commandos taken prisoner and ordering the continuation of the war as head of state after Hitler's death.

In 1947 he was moved to the sprawling red-brick fortress of Spandau in West Berlin, along with Hitler's former deputy, Rudolf Hess, and other Nazi prisoners.



MOBILE HOME: Roger Derisse, who specializes in relocating houses, eats lunch on the tinners supporting a 125-ton residence being trundled down the road between Concord and Lincoln, Massachusetts.

Trial reviews reign Bokassa condemned to die

BANGUI, Dec. 26 (AFP) — The former emperor of Central Africa, Jean Bedel Bokassa, was condemned to death in absentia this week at a trial that highlighted some of the gruesome features of his reign. It also revealed the ex-French colonial army sergeant's need to embellish his humble origins with titles like "president for life." Even his birthdate was arbitrarily chosen and his first name an invention.

Bokassa, in exile in Ivory Coast since his overthrow in a French-backed coup in September last year, faced 13 charges, including cannibalism, murder, concealing corpses and embezzlement of public funds. The court, which also condemned to death several members of Bokassa's entourage not already convicted in previous trials, heard how in 1973 Bokassa ordered the ears to be cut off anyone caught stealing, and how a mass beating was carried out in his presence and according to his instructions.

The 30 prisoners victim of that beating were left unconscious in the yard of Xanlu's Jail. Bokassa also had the dead bodies of thieves exposed to public view in one of the main squares of the Central African capital.

When on the day after his downfall, the gates of the notorious Ngaragba Jail were

opened, two men, Polycarpe Gbaguili and Jean-Pierre Kombet, who is oow secretary of state for foreign affairs, were freed after spending respectively 11 and nine years inside. In that jail, Bokassa would sometimes order that prisoners be given live chickens and cattle to eat.

Witnesses repeatedly testified that Bokassa's corruption also extended to the public till. He personally acquired several country houses in France, Belgium and in Switzerland, where his family also owned hotels, cafes and restaurants. Bokassa expropriated aid given to his country from abroad totaling about \$1 million.

During his reign, some \$5 million was drawn from the country's various state and semi-state corporations into his personal coffers.

For each trip abroad, he received about \$800,000, and for a visit to South Korea, he received \$350 millions. Meanwhile, Bokassa's debts grew to more than \$50 million.

From his rise to power in a coup d'etat oowards, he gradually and thoroughly eliminating all those he suspected of plotting against him, which meant death for some of his comrades in arms.

Siberian cold wave keeps U.S. shivering

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 (AP) — Frozen traffic lights and dead car batteries caused traffic accidents Thursday as a record-breaking cold front swept in from Siberia to the United States.

The cold played havoc with one annual historical observance. It was so frigid in Pennsylvania that Philadelphians were forced to abandon their boats and mark George Washington's crossing of the Delaware River by marching across a bridge.

Thursday's lowest set records in Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Illinois and Maine. Below-zero readings in Massachusetts were the lowest in more than a century, and the reading of 41 below zero (Fahrenheit) in north Stratford, New Hampshire, was the unofficial low for New England.

New Hampshire forecasters blamed the cold on high-pressure front that drifted in from Siberia and settled over the northeast

and the Ohio and Mississippi river valleys. For thousands of holiday travelers, the cold meant hours of waiting for someone to come and recharge frozen batteries. The American Automobile Association in Massachusetts, where a low of 26 below zero was recorded, reported five-hour delays in answering emergency calls.

Hundreds of minor traffic accidents were reported in New Jersey as snow and ice made driving treacherous.

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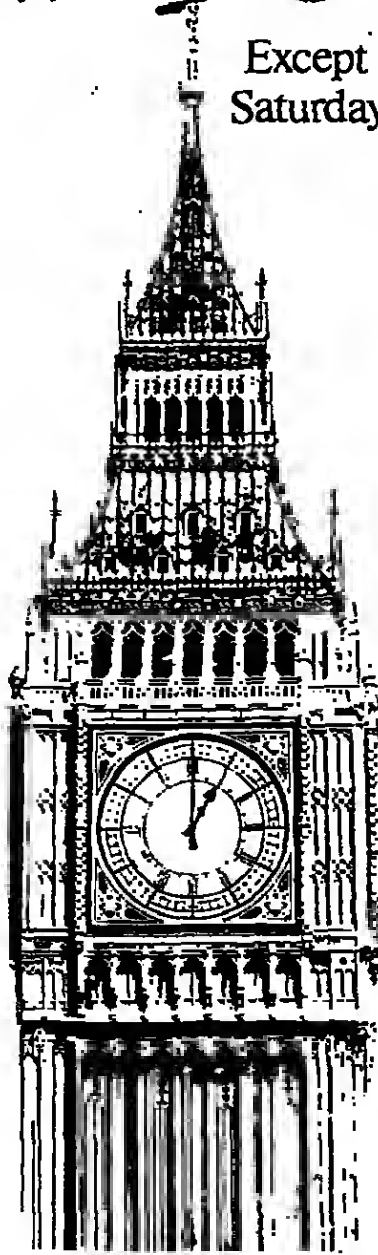
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Debt whittles down promises of Liberia revolution

MONROVIA, Liberia Dec. 26 (WP) — This west African country's 8-month-old government, which took power amid popular demands for a more equal distribution of wealth, has had to make stringent cutbacks to prevent economic collapse while warning Liberians that austerity is all they can expect for the foreseeable future.

The 17 young noncommissioned officers and privates who toppled President William Tolbert in a bloody coup in April, soon found they had taken over a government on the verge of insolvency.

After the coup and the grisly executions of 13 former government officials, jailing of political foes and an acknowledged crisis of confidence in the ruling military People's Redemption Council, Liberia's sources of vitally needed foreign credits dried up overnight.

As in many coups in Africa in the past two decades, a chief reason given by the Liberian soldiers to justify their takeover was the deteriorating economy, under which only a corrupt minority lived decently. But like other coup-makers, Liberia's soldier-rulers have found that blood and bullets do not ensure a better economy. One pessimistic banker said the country "is headed the way of Ghana." Liberia's west African neighbor in severe economic distress.

Recently, however, Liberia won emergency aid from the United States and Western Europe following the adoption of an International Monetary Fund stabilization plan. In September, the IMF agreed to pump \$85 million into the country over the next two years and Western creditors are expected to reschedule payment of the existing \$800 million debt. Still, bankers say the Liberian economy immediately needs \$80 million to stabilize.

Liberia, historically close to the United States, has begun a search for a large cash infusion from other sources. A high official civilian delegation recently visited Libya



President Doe

after radical leader Muammar Qaddafi offered aid.

In what Richard Moose, U.S. assistant secretary of state for Africa, called a "courageous speech," Liberia's 28-year-old head of state, Master Sgt. Samuel Doe told Liberians candidly last month about the near economic ruin they face.

Besides the \$800 million debt, Doe said

revenues from Liberia's iron ore exports, 60 per cent of the country's \$250 million annual earnings, were steadily dropping because of a recession in the world's steel industries. The government's budget this year stands at \$325 million while expected earnings, with aid grants, are only \$240 million.

The country's three iron ore mining companies could go bankrupt, Doe indicated in his speech, leaving destitute some "25,000 Liberians who are either employees or dependents."

The only bright spot in Liberia's exports is a 33 per cent jump in world prices for raw rubber, the country's second revenue earner, produced on plantations owned by Firestone, Goodrich and Uniroyal.

Liberia's labor union have become restive since the coup and a nervous redemption council has sided with the foreign companies operating here. Some 15,000 rubber-tree tappers at Firestone's million-acre plantation, halted a strike recently when the government said it would honor wage agreements reached under Tolbert. The workers sought a doubling of this \$75-a-week wage.

The country's problems were aggravated when Doe, seeking popularity immediately after the coup, raised army privates' base pay from \$100 to \$250 a month and the lowest paid civil servants from \$100 to \$200.

Doe came to power in a coup that followed a year of tension after riots in Monrovia in April 1979 over a Tolbert proposal to raise

the price of rice, the urban population's staple food. Although they took power representing Liberia's "have-not" majority of indigenous Africans against a tiny elite caste of ruling descendants of former American slaves who founded the country in the 19th century, Doe and his army colleagues have become fiscal conservatives.

They have banned strikes, initiated a forced national bond savings program for all wage earners beginning in January and indefinitely frozen government hiring. Tension was reduced last month when Doe freed 27 political prisoners but there are still about a hundred, including Adolphus Tolert, eldest son of the slain president.

"There is confidence now (among U.S. banks) and in Washington that the (economic) problems here are manageable," Moose said recently after talks with Doe. "Liberia retains its place in the larger, free commercial-financial life of the west," said Moose, who was on his fourth trip to Monrovia since the coup.

But, although the United States has lent and given Liberia \$27 million since April, Foreign Minister Gabriel Bacus Matthews said: "We believe here that the United States government could have done more."

In a blunt acknowledgement of a "confidence crisis" in his government, Doe said in November that "random harassment of members of the business and banking communities by men in arms".

U.S., others disagree

Haiti boasts aid donors back its policies

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti, Dec. 26 (WP) — In the midst of a serious political and economic crisis, Haiti's authoritarian government is using foreign aid to tighten its hold on this country, despite the efforts of its most important donor, the United States.

At a recent meeting of Western nations and agencies financing Haiti's survival, the donors pledged a record amount of aid to President-for-life Jean Claude Duvalier. But while the donors had been unwilling to play politics with their assistance, the British government, much to the chagrin of U.S. and other diplomats, widely advertised the aid increase as a broad endorsement of its policies.

Foreign missions here, which had welcomed a somewhat greater political freedom during the past year, were infuriated when the Duvalier government jailed almost all its prominent critics just days before the aid talks.

Then, during the donor meeting, Haiti engaged in an unusual test of wills with the United States by censuring the American delegate. When U.S. representative Allan Furman began to express concern about the

"recent deterioration in Haiti's human rights environment," Haitian planning Minister Edouard Berrouet immediately cut him short.

human-rights remarks were "not acceptable," said Berrouet, loudly ringing a bell. "Please pass to the technical part of your statement." Rather than walk out, the U.S. delegate obeyed.

The confidence of the government, foreign analysts agree, comes both from its reading of the new, conservative political winds in Washington and from assurance of international economic support.

With 90 per cent of its population living below the poverty line and two-thirds of its land badly eroded, Haiti's growing population is sometimes described as one that is "slowly committing mass suicide."

The donor meetings began more than two years ago in an effort to pressure the government into stemming corruption and changing its budget practices to account for the nearly half of government revenues that go into "secret" accounts. The donor countries and agencies agree that little has been accomplished in that direction.

Turkeys content as museum pieces

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26 (LAT) — A German, 30 television sets and five turkeys recently moved into the Los Angeles Institute of Contemporary Art in two concurrent exhibitions. The German, Wolf Vostell, stayed in the city only long enough to gather the TVs, partially cast them in concrete and install them with live fowl in a gallery.

Vostell's turkey show is not a turkey and the birds don't have a bad deal, actually. They haven't been roasted, pressed into salami or sliced in sandwiches, for one thing, and they seem quite content with their temporary accommodations.

They have food, water, room to roam and their choice of simultaneously running TV programs. Their screen-doored gallery has a

basic gray decor, cheered by one color set, the birds' marvelously iridescent feathers and their wrinkled heads and wattles that change from red to blue, depending on how the turkeys are feeling. Bathroom facilities are rather primitive, but turkey droppings blend harmoniously with crumbling concrete, aesthetically speaking.

Vostell, an artist of international repute, has a history of casting expensive devices in concrete to "cancel their presence." Television sets are a favorite target, but he once sealed an entire Cadillac in cement in Chicago. At the institute, some of the sets are dead or completely covered in concrete, but most have at least part of their screens exposed.

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Japan's car exports increased by 17.3%

TOKYO, Dec. 26 (R) — Japan's vehicle exports in November increased by 17.3 per cent over the same month a year ago but showed a 3.3 per cent decline over October's shipments, the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association (JAMA) said Thursday. JAMA said it was the first time in several months that the year-to-year increase had fallen below 20 per cent.

Last April's exports showed a 55.1 per cent jump, and October's volume a 23.5 per cent gain. Passenger car exports amounted to 323,211 units last month, up 13.8 per cent from November last year, while exports of trucks rose 24.2 per cent to 161,308, and those buses totalled 5,648 up 41.7 per cent, the association said.

Shipments to the United States, where pressure has grown to restrict Japanese car imports, totalled 182,449, down 6.8 per cent, JAMA said. Exports to the European Economic Community increased 12.3 per cent to 64,246, including 27,204 to West Germany, up 31.8 per cent, 5,791 to France,

U.S. policy to use food as weapon

CHICAGO, Dec. 26 (R) — Food should be used as a political weapon, Ronald Reagan's designated secretary of agriculture said this week. But John Block, named Monday to head the agriculture department in the Reagan administration, stressed Thursday that food should not be singled out and used alone.

He told a press conference in Chicago that President Carter's partial grain embargo on the Soviet Union in retaliation for intervention in Afghanistan was a mistake. But he said that ending the embargo would be very difficult if the Soviet Union in the meantime invaded Poland.

"Should food be used as a weapon or a tool?" he asked rhetorically. Food should be, could be and will be, however, it's important that it not be used alone," Reagan and his Republican Party have publicly committed themselves to lifting the embargo. Reagan opposed the ban, saying farmers have been unfairly singled out to bear the brunt of President Carter's sanctions against Moscow.

up 19.8 per cent, and 4,589 to Britain, down 42.2 per cent, JAMA said.

Exports to the Middle East fell 4.8 per cent to 31,658, the first decrease in 15 months, the association said. Shipments to South America and Africa jumped 166.1 per cent to 23,284 and 77.8 per cent to 30,502. Wednesday Japan said its exports of cars and trucks were expected to reach a record six million this year.

Meanwhile, residents of the Seychelles will pay more during 1981 for cars, tobacco, alcohol and other non-essentials because import duties are being increased, President Albert Rene said Thursday. In his budget speech to the people's assembly, Rene said there would also be an export tax of 10 per cent on domestic products next year.

Rene, who is his own finance minister, said the government would spend a total of 383,856 million rupees \$59 million in 1981. More than a quarter of the total is allocated to education, he said, with health getting over \$5 million.

The budget speech did not mention military spending in the Seychelles' Indian Ocean archipelago in the Indian Ocean about 1,600 kms off the east African coast.

U.K. brokers say

Yen most attractive currency

LONDON, Dec. 26 (AFP) — The yen is the most attractive of the major currencies on a six to twelve month view, influential London stock brokers Grieson Grant and Co report in their latest international investment research bulletin. They point out that although the dollar recovery has attracted the most attention recently, the "Star Performer" has already been the Japanese currency, despite a cut in Japanese interest rates which are expected to fall further.

The brokers say that the exceptional behavior of the Japanese currency reflects the "economic fundamentals" in Japan which they see as "for the most part sound." The current account, which had been a major cause for concern is "rapidly turning round" in contrast to the West German situation, the report says.

The brokers point out that over the years there has been a close correlation, in Japan's case, between the trend of the current

Iraqi aide urges Japan to resume joint ventures

TOKYO, Dec. 26 (Agencies) — Iraqi Oil Minister Tayeb Abdul Karim told Japanese Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki this week that Iraq would welcome any initiative to bring an end to the three-month old Iraq-Iran war.

Karim also asked Suzuki to persuade Japanese companies to resume Japanese-Iraqi joint ventures in Iraq which have been suspended since the outbreak of the war.

Suzuki told the Iraqi minister that it was up to the companies to make the move, but he would try to recommend the resumption of construction work in petrochemical and infrastructural plants, officials said.

Karim, who arrived here Sunday on a five-day official visit, met with Suzuki at the prime minister's official residences for about 30 minutes.

During the meeting, Prime Minister Suzuki urged Iraq to step up efforts to settle the Iran-Iraq war at the earliest possible date to stabilize the political situation in the Middle East. Earlier in the day, Karim held talks with Japanese Foreign Minister Masayoshi Ito for about one hour.

account and the strength of the currency. They add that the "comparatively modest" price increase emerging from the OPEC meeting in Bali reinforces their optimism for the yen.

On the other hand they expect the dollar to be vulnerable to falling interest rates which they anticipate next year, as well as uncertainty about the "apparent inconsistency" of president-elect Reagan's economic policies.

They rate sterling last among eight major currencies because, although protected by north sea oil, it could weaken as the interest gap between Britain and continental Europe narrows.

Germany's major problem, the huge current account deficit, is likely to show a significant improvement under the influence of the deepening recession. The forecast for the six to 12 month ranking is: 1-yen, 2-Dutch guilder, 3-Deutschmark, 4-Swiss franc, 5-French franc, 6-Canadian dollar, 7-U.S. dollar, and 8-sterling.

Japanese firm may produce Ford mini cars

TOKYO, Dec. 26 (AFP) — Ford Motor Co. of the United States and Japan's Toyo Kogyo Co. have reached a broad agreement for the production of "strategic mini cars" with engine capacities of 1,000 to 1,200 CC's, the economic daily *Nihon Keizai* reported Friday. Toyo Kogyo, has denied the report which cited sources involved in the deal. The paper reported that under the agreement, the fourth largest Japanese automaker, known for its Mazda cars, will produce 150,000 to 200,000 units a year for Ford, the world's second-largest automobile maker, beginning in the spring of 1983.

All these mini cars will be turned out at its new assembly plant, to be built at Hofu, near Hiroshima, where Toyo Kogyo's head office is located.

It also said that Ford will begin mass production of the mini cars in the United States with supplies of parts from Toyo Kogyo.

But a spokesman for Toyo Kogyo has denied the report, saying that it is impossible for his company to start the production of new type cars in less than two years. He said that Toyo Kogyo is building a new assembly plant at Hofu with a cost of some \$120 million with work beginning early next year. It will have a monthly production capacity of 20,000 units.

He said that the new plant is to replace aging production facilities as well as to handle the assembly of cars to be shipped mainly to Ford.

Foreign investors' dealings reach record levels in U.S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 (R) — Dealings in American stocks by foreign investors, especially from Middle East oil-producing nations, reached record levels in the third quarter of 1980, according to the Securities Industry Association. The association's latest report said total activity of foreigners in U.S. stocks hit a record \$19.5 billion in the third quarter, surpassing \$12.5 billion in the second quarter and the previous record of \$18.3 billion set in the first quarter.

Dealings by investors from oil-producing states in the Middle East showed the most notable rise, from \$962 million in the first quarter to \$1 billion in the second and to \$1.7 billion in the third, the association said. While net purchases of U.S. stocks of foreigners rose 75 per cent to \$713 million in the third quarter from the second, the total fell well short of the record \$2.1 billion in net purchases in the first quarter.

The report said Middle Eastern investors accounted for more than 98 per cent of

third-quarter net purchases. States included in the Middle East category are Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Oman, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. Net purchases from European Nations fell 80 per cent from \$352 million in the second quarter to \$65 million in the third, the report said. Only Britain and France were net purchasers of equities. Belgium, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, West Germany and Switzerland were net sellers.

Association analysts attributed most of the strength in European net purchases of U.S. stocks to British investors.

Investment in Britain totalled \$545 million, the second highest quarterly figure in 1979 and 1980. They said several influences in Britain accounted for this, including the lifting of exchange controls, tight monetary policy, high interest rates, the pound's strength against other currencies — including the dollar — and a squeeze on corporate profits and dividends.

Pakistan imports from Kuwait \$530m of finished oil products

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan, Dec. 26 (AP) — Pakistan will import \$530 million of finished oil products from Kuwait, officials said Thursday. The imports from Kuwait National Petroleum Company (KNPT) for 1981 will reach one million metric tons of high speed diesel, 400,000 metric tons of kerosene and a total of 100,000 metric tons of light speed diesel and High Octane Blending Component (HOB), the officials said.

Kuwait provides Pakistan with all these finished petroleum products, while crude oil

is imported from Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and a small quantity from Iraq. Imports from Kuwait in 1980 were 1.8 million metric tons. Imports in 1981 are to be reduced because of expected higher domestic production of oil during the coming year. Pakistan's total oil imports for 1981 are expected to be \$1,500 million, of which finished products will total \$530 million crude imports will be around four million metric tons, officials said. The 1981 domestic production is projected at 600,000 metric tons.

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was nationalized in 1977.

TOKYO (AFP) — One of Japan's biggest clothing manufacturers, Renown Inc., is to acquire half the capital of the French ready-to-wear fashion house Mio-Mac in January. This is apparently the first time that a Japanese clothing firm has taken such a major stake in a foreign company. Mio-Mac has indicated that it received several offers, particularly from West Germany, but referred the Japanese offer for "strategic reasons." Mio-Mac is capitalized at about \$700,000.

LONDON (AFP) — Britain leading bank, Barclays Bank, is trying to buy the Spanish Banco de Valladolid which has 40 branches and employs 650 people, the *Financial Times* paper has reported here.

PARIS (AFP) — France's output of private cars and commercial vehicles will total fewer than three million units in 1980 and will be nine per cent down on the 3,220,000 vehicles manufactured in 1979, representatives of Auto Manufacturers also forecast that sales would be six per cent down for 1980 and that exports would be down to about ten per cent.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 6:00 P.M. Wednesday

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.87	8.86
Belgian Franc (1,000)	107.00	—	—
Canadian Dollar	2.80	—	—
Deutsche Mark (100)	171.00	172.00	172.15
Dutch Guilder (100)	157.00	—	158.25
Egyptian Pound	—	4.40	4.45
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	91.00	90.80
French Franc (100)	74.00	74.50	74.30
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	75.00	—
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	42.30
Iranian Rial (100)	—	9.50	—
Israeli Lira (10,000)	36.00	36.65	36.63
Japanese Yen (1,000)	16.00	—	16.30
Jordanian Dinar	—	10.90	10.81
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.26	12.26
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	92.40	92.40
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	81.50	81.86
Pakistan Rupee (100)	—	—	33.70
Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	44.50
Pound Sterling	7.90	7.95	7.94
Qatari Rial (100)	—	91.80	91.70
Singapore Dollar	—	1.58	—
Spanish Peca (1,000)	—	42.00	42.00
Swiss Franc (100)	189.00	191.00	190.00
Syrian Lira (100)	—	77.00	85.50
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	44.00	—
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	Supply of vehicles, heavy equipment and sanitation equipment, and delivery at the warehouse of Jazan Municipality	2/1401	500	Jan. 25
" " "	Temporary asphalt of streets in a rural complex in Sajar	4/1401	1000	Jan. 27
Ministry of the Interior, Dept. of Public Security	Cleaning of Public Security's stables	29/400/401	250	Dec. 27
	Supply of an electronic telephone exchange and construction of internal network at Public Security's training township in Riyadh	30/400/401	800	Dec. 29
Department of Education, Medina	Fencing of the historical sites in Rayis Badr	42	500	Jan. 10
" " "	Repairs and some other works at some schools of the region	43	Free	Jan. 12
" " "	Supply, installation and operation of airconditioners at schools	44	200	Jan. 17

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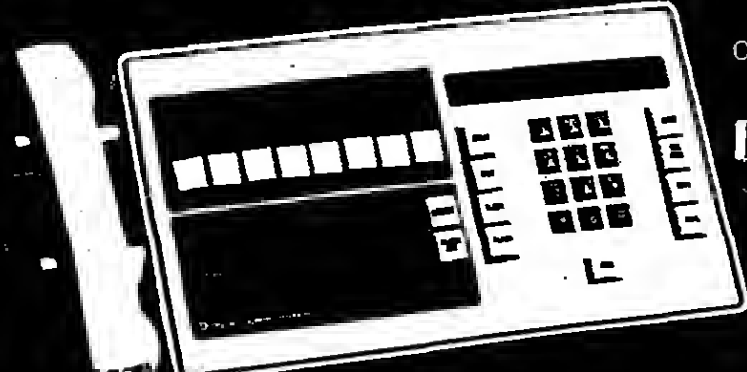
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But Gomes defies Pakistan onslaught

Windies skittled

KARACHI, Pakistan, Dec. 26 (AP) — On the third day of the third cricket test between Pakistan and West Indies in Karachi on Wednesday, the tourists scored 105 runs for the loss of five wickets, in reply to Pakistan's first innings of 128, all out. West Indies need 23 runs to equalize with five wickets in hand.



SINGLE: Desmond Haynes, who scored only one run Wednesday, seen grabbing a quick single in a previous test against England.

Like Pakistan, the West Indies also began their first innings with a shaky start. Their first wicket of Haynes fell when the total stood at only 19. In the next over they lost their second wicket of Baccus at 21. When the total reached 43, the Windies lost their third wicket of Richards and quickly lost fourth and fifth wickets at 44.

Then came David Murray and Larry Gomes and they in their sixth wicket partnership took the score from 44 to 105. Their batting not only checked the quick falling of West Indies wickets but also contributed substantially with 61 runs to the total of 105.

At the close of the day's play David Murray was batting with 24 runs and Larry Gomes with 37.

In one day on Wednesday, nine wickets (Pakistan four, Windies five) fell with a total of 165 runs scored by both the teams. Of the Pakistani bowlers, Imran Khan took three and Iqbal Qasim two wickets. None of the four spinners could make any headway. Earlier, Pakistan were all out at 128 before lunch. In their first hour of the day, the home team, who began their innings with overnight

Weaver to fight Tillis

CHICAGO, Illinois Dec. 26 (AP) — A Feb. 28 date has been set for the fight between heavyweight James "Quick" Tillis and defending World Boxing Association champion Mike Weaver, according to Neal Pilson, vice president of CBS-TV network's sports division.

score of 68 for six wickets made a good recovery scoring 37 runs, but to the second hour they lost all the remaining four wickets adding only 23 runs in the total. Pakistan's seventh wicket partnership of Javed Miandad and Wasim Bari yielded 54 runs, which were very valuable for the home team to recover from their disastrous start Thursday.

There were six players, who got duck to their individual scores. Of the remaining five batsmen, who could score, Javed Miandad listed the highest at 60 runs, second highest was Wasim Bari (23), while third highest was 21 scored by Imran Khan Zaheer Abbas (not out) remained at 13 and Wasim Raja could score only two runs.

Among the tourists, Clarke proved to be the most successful bowler, who bagged four Pakistani wickets yielding only 27 runs, while Colin Croft got three wickets at 27 runs, Joe Garner and Marshall got two and one wickets respectively.

India squanders opportunity

BRISBANE, Dec. 26 (AFP) — India's batsmen played irresponsibly for the touring team to lose six wickets for only 105 runs in the session between lunch and tea on the first day of their match against Queensland at the Brisbane Cricket Ground Friday.

Sent in to bat on a well-grassed wicket, India seemed to be in charge of the match with captain Sunil Gavaskar (79) and Dilip Vengsarkar (75) at the wicket.

The pair added 129 runs in 103 minutes for the second wicket for India to be 149 for one wicket.

But the Indians played rashly yet again and squandered a splendid opportunity to take a firm grip on the match.

Former test opening bowler Geoff Dymock, bowled 11 overs to take three wickets in the second session with an accurate and clever exhibition of seam bowling.

Surprisingly, Dymock, who was Queensland's captain in the absence of Greg Chappell, used former test speedster Jeff Thomson



UNDAUNTED: Kim Hughes, whose powerful hitting helped Australia recover from a bad start, seen scoring a four in the Centenary test.

for only four overs in the session. But Carl Rackemann gave Dymock vigorous support in capturing the wicket of Vengsarkar.

The efforts of Gavaskar and Vengsarkar were most pleasing in the week before the first test against Australia at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

Gavaskar hit three sixes in five balls from change bowler, Wayne Broad, as well as 10 boundaries in his two hours innings.

Vengsarkar was ill at ease early in his innings, but later drove splendidly to hit 11 boundaries in his innings of 135 minutes.

Sandeep Patil, driving with tremendous power, hit eight boundaries in a 90 minute innings for 60, but his effort was a mixture of brilliance and loose stroke-making which made his dismissal inevitable.

The tall elegant right hander edged Rackemann for two boundaries through slips and then played a far more authoritative stroke to a full toss from the speedster, clipping him to the square leg boundary.

China crushes Macau, nears finals

HONG KONG, Dec. 26 (AFP) — Hong Kong and Singapore fought to a one-all draw and pre-tournament favorites China easily outclassed Macau 3-0 in two World Cup Asian zone group four matches here Wednesday.

While China now are virtually assured of a place in the group 'A' semi-finals, Wednesday's draw between Singapore and Hong Kong threw group 'B' into more confusion with no team certain of reaching the next round.

Singapore, playing a 4-4-2 defensive game, appeared to have a slight edge over Hong Kong in both individual skill and team coordination.

But Hong Kong went ahead after a goalless first half through defender Choi York Yee.

In the 53th minute, Singapore's Yeoung Pak grounded local midfielder Fung Chi Ming on the edge of the Singapore penalty zone.

Hong Kong captain Wu Kung sent a beautiful free kick from the left side of the box and Choi rushed forward and headed in from two yards out.

But the home team slowed down dramatically in the last 10 minutes, and saw their hopes for a semi-final spot evaporate four minutes from time.

Hughes holds off N. Zealand attack

MELBOURNE, Dec. 26 (AP) — Australia survived a disastrous start to be 59 for two at lunchtime Friday, the first day of the third test against New Zealand at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

Openers Graeme Wood and John Dyson were both dismissed in the opening session of play and at lunch the batsmen who were not out were Greg Chappell on 29 and Kim Hughes on 12.

New Zealand skipper Geoff Howarth won the toss and sent Australia in to bat first on the controversial MCG wicket.

Wood, who recorded a pair against New Zealand in the second test in Perth, made his third consecutive duck against the Kiwis.

Richard Hadlee was only warming up when he had Wood caught behind the stumps by Warren Lees off only the second ball of the match.

Dyson potted about for 79 minutes before he was clean bowled by Gary Troup for 13.

Tight, persistent bowling tied down the Australian batsmen, particularly Chappell, who was anchored on seven for almost 20 minutes.

Aggressive strokes were few and far between. After being 32 for the loss of two wickets, Australia desperately needed a stand between Chappell and Hughes.

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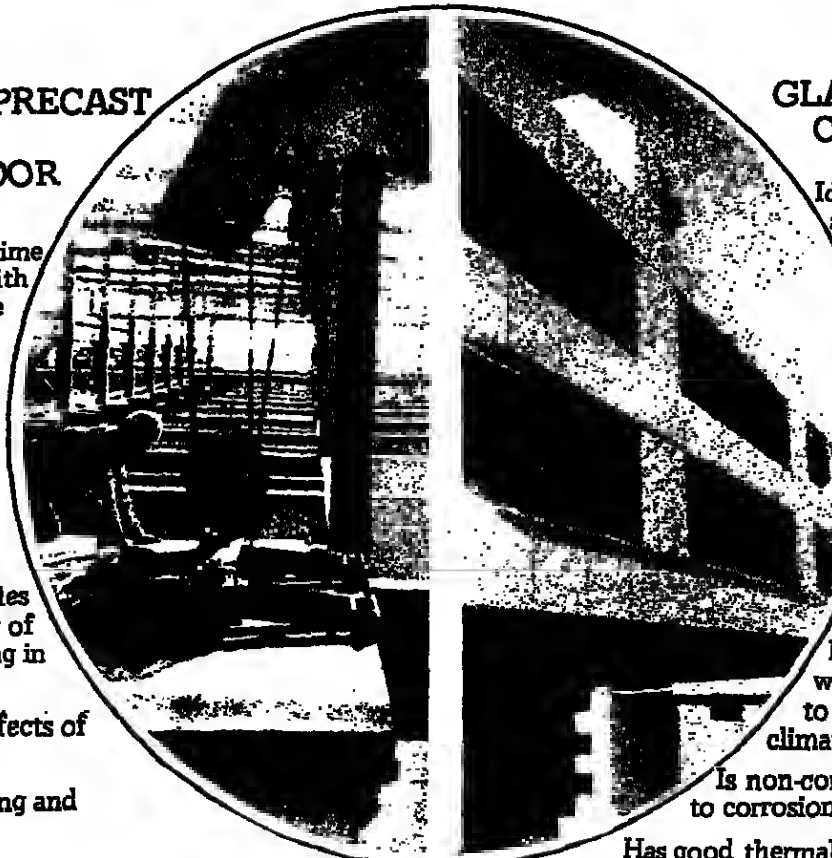
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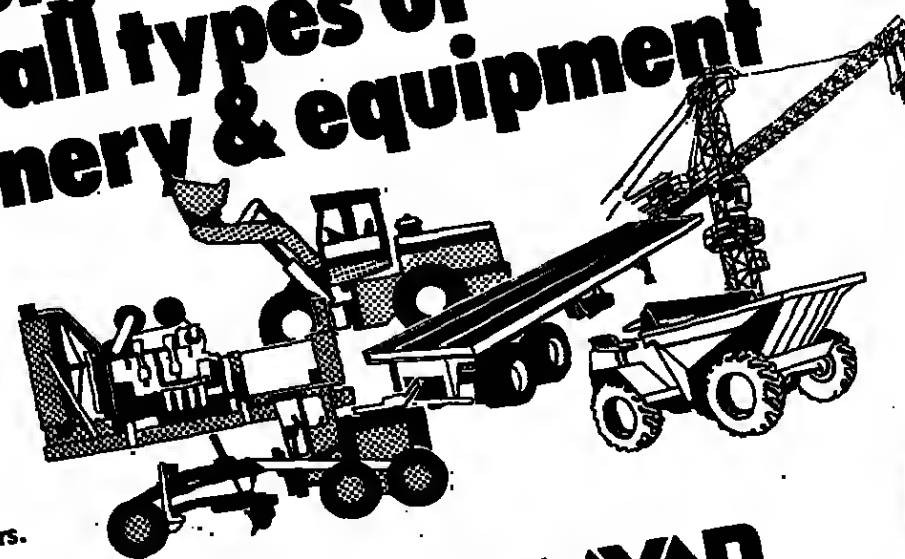
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For English League title

Ipswich challenges

LONDON, Dec. 26 (AP) — The hectic Christmas season, in which each team plays two games in two days, may sort out some of the problems in the English Soccer League. By Saturday night, the fans may have a clearer idea whether Liverpool will win the championship for the third straight year, or whether the title will pass to Ipswich or Aston Villa.

Liverpool players believe Ipswich is the



FIT: Butch Wilkins, (center) now ready to return to the Manchester United line-up, seen scoring for England against Belgium.

Louis gets pacemaker

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 26 (R) — Joe Louis, the former world heavyweight boxing champion, was said Wednesday to be "doing fine" after an operation in which he had a heart pacemaker fitted.

Louis, 66, underwent heart surgery three years ago, but suffered a mild stroke several weeks later. He has been confined to a wheelchair since.

A hospital official said: "He's doing fine. The pacemaker was installed on Tuesday morning. He hopes to be going home soon."

The great "brown bomber" reigned as world champion from 1937 to 1949 when he retired unbeaten after defending the title 25 times.

most dangerous challenger

Midfielder Ray Kennedy said: "We have always known Ipswich was a well organized club. Now they have really put it together. When we played them at Ipswich a few weeks ago they murdered us in the first half."

Kennedy named the two Dutchmen, Arnold Muhren and Frans Thijssen, as the key players who have made Ipswich a potential title winning team.

Liverpool goes into the Christmas program leading the standings with 32 points. Aston Villa has 31 points and Ipswich 30, but Ipswich has played only 21 games while their two rivals have each played 23.

This is how Christmas stacks up for the top teams:

Liverpool — Manchester United, away (Friday), Leeds, home (Saturday).

Aston Villa — Stoke, home (Friday), Nottingham Forest, away (Saturday).

Ipswich — Norwich, home (Friday), Arsenal, away (Saturday).

Meanwhile, England's injured stars are coming back into action one by one.

Trevor Francis (Nottingham Forest) and Butch Wilkins (Manchester United) both played last weekend after long spells on the sidelines.

Kevin Keegan, the England captain, who has missed five games for Southampton because of a hamstring injury is expected to be back in the lineup for Friday's match at Tottenham. He played in a reserve game the other night and came through it safely.

Americas lose tourney

ADELAIDE, Dec. 26 (AP) — Vitas Gerulaitis of the United States defeated Paul McNamee of Australia 7-5, 7-5 in the \$40,000 Moultrie International Challenge tennis series at Memorial Drive here Wednesday night.

Gerulaitis' win was all the Americas could salvage in the series against "the rest of the world," which won the challenge by four rubbers to one.

Earlier, Czechoslovakian ace Ivan Lendl boosted the rest of the world's lead over the Americas to 4-0 with a 6-1, 6-2 win over Peter Fleming of the United States.



MARATHON: Looking like a huge army of ants, the 5,000 runners head for the finish line in last year's Boston Marathon.

Baseball writers view players
Hall of Fame vote approaches

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 (R) — Now that we've decided to put a new president in the White House, we can settle down to an important winter election on the annual vote on baseball's hall of fame.

In the province of the Baseball Writers' Association of America, this traditionally is one of the most significant and at the same time most controversial poll-taking enterprises in sports.

The questions inevitably arise: how much of the vote is dictated by the heart rather than the head? How heavily are the scales weighted by a player's "good guy" image — his popularity as opposed to another player's unpopularity with the press?

How objectively do the voters follow the guidelines spelled out so clearly in the ballot — "ability, integrity, sportsmanship, character, contribution to both team and baseball."

For the living honorees, it is an exhilarating experience — the crowning glory of their

London marathon could see record

Top entries expected

LONDON, Dec. 26 (R) — "You will start on the Greenwich Meridian, run through both the eastern and western hemispheres and finish in front of Buckingham Palace."

Those enticing words, spoken by former British Olympic steeplechase champion Chris Brasher to 14,500 men and women warming up in an icy wind before embarking on the 1980 New York Marathon, signalled the coming of London's first classic all-comers' marathon.

Despite the immediate task of conquering 26 miles 385 yards (42.195 km) through the streets of New York, Brasher's announcement started a buzz of enthusiastic chatter amongst the colourful crowd as it waited for the starting cannon.

Runners, from the young to the old and the swift to the slow, debated whether they could get time off work for the March 29 race or could afford the trip in London. Would they be fit then. Does it clash with the famous Boston Marathon?

Many were surprised that this was to be the

first London event, for these days marathons are so frequent and popular that runners "collect" cities as they go from race to race.

In recent years running has grown in popularity, but completing a marathon is a far cry from a morning jog round the park.

Yet in 10 years the New York Marathon has grown from a few hundred competitors to almost 15,000 in 1980, with a further 20,000 refused entry because the streets are not wide enough. Already about 7,000 runners have applied for entry to the London race.

So why do so many people struggle through months of training, often marked by injury, to tackle the forbidding distance? I have done it and here are my answers.

The first allure lies in the history of the race. It takes its name from the site of a battle in Greece in 490BC between the Greek and Persian armies. Although outnumbered five to one, the Greeks won a famous victory the invaders into the sea.

According to Herodotus, the Greek chronicler, a messenger called Pheidippides spent the days before the battle running to Sparta 150 miles away to seek help for the Greeks.

He then fought in the battle and when it was won ran 24 miles (38 km) back to Athens, with the news before dying from sheer exhaustion.

The legend of Pheidippides was recalled when the ultimate long distance race was set for the Olympic games. At the London Olympics in 1908 the route mapped out from the royal residence at Windsor Castle to the finishing line in front of the royal box at the White City Stadium measured 26 miles 385

yards and that has remained the official distance.

But despite the intriguing historical background, the biggest incentive to run a marathon lies in the challenge of completing the distance, of achieving a physical goal most people think is beyond their capability.

In the classic events there is the added bonus of lining up in the same race as top-class athletes, as was the case in New York and will be so in London. Maybe the star performers will finish hours ahead of the "hackers", but it was still the same race.

"Whatever your standard, to be able to say you completed the course is the satisfaction," says Britain's Joyce Smith, at 43 the world third fastest woman marathon runner with a time of two hours 30 minutes 27 seconds.

Smith, though, is clear that not all marathons should be open to all-comers and she ran her best time winning in Tokyo this year in an event for top women runners only.

But for the athlete and mere enthusiast alike, training is the key to successful marathon running.

Joyce Smith, who aims to break 2:30:00 in 1981, says she builds up in a race over a 12 week period. She averages about 60 to 70 miles (96-112 km) a week, rising to about 90 miles (145 km) for about two weeks at peak training.

This includes running twice a day on some days, doing 10x400 meter bursts for speed training, and completing 25 miles once before the race.

Hilal beats Ittihad, takes lead

By Munir Muhammad

JEDDAH, Dec. 26 — In a fast, exhilarating and at times tense game, Hilal triumphed over Ittihad in an undisputed lead of the national football league Thursday in Jeddah. Ittihad dominated most of the game in the mid-field but its assaults remained unfinished. Hilal, though defensive, played to win.

Meanwhile, Friday Nasr battered Ahli 5-1 in Riyadh, and Nahda crashed Riyadh 3-0 in Dammam Thursday.

Ittihad dominated the game from the start and continued to put pressure on Hilal's defense. Hilal relied on counter-attacks. After missing several opportunities, Ittihad scored in the 27th minute of the first half, but Referee Fahd Al-Dahmash found Ittihad's Tammim Al-Hazmi offside. Hilal realized the grave situation, especially after losing to Shabab and stepping over Riyadh in bad form.

Samir Sultan scored the first goal of the match for Hilal in the 35th minute, after which the team reorganized its ranks and exchanged attacks. In the 12th minute of the

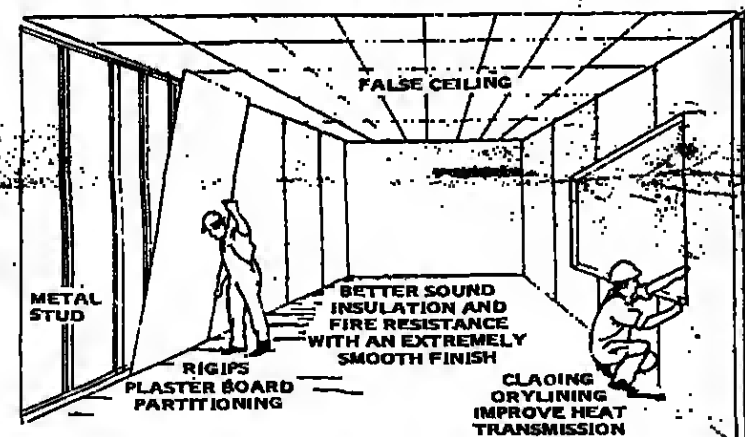
second half, Hilal's Brazilian forward Rivelino took advantage of the strong wind and scores the second goal for his team from a powerful shot.

Within five minutes, Hilal boosted its superiority with a third score from a mistake of Ittihad's defense. With Hilal's Fahudi running along, Ittihad's defense players tried to return the ball to their keeper, and amid the confusion Fahudi snatched and sent the ball home. In their enthusiasm, Hilal depend inside Ittihad's own half field organizing attacks thereafter.

The first goal for Ittihad came through Bayazid from a confused state in the Hilal goal. The second score came from an entire fault of Ibrahim Yusuf, Hilal goalie, as he tried to march arrogantly with the ball inside the 18 meter line. Issa Hamdan snatched the ball from his hands and put it into the net. The game ended with that result but Rivelino, who gained a second yellow card in four matches, was engaged in a fight with Bayazid, who also had one of the match's four yellow cards. Rivelino had kicked Bayazid in the face during the match.

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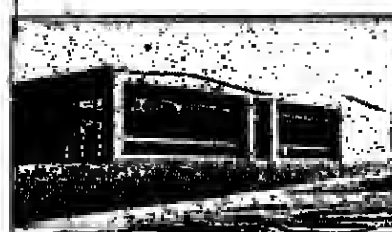
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at a witness and the judges, continued her outbursts on Wednesday. The sources anticipated that the prosecution would call for a death sentence on Jiang Qing, who is reported to have told the court she acted during the Cultural Revolution at Mao's behest.

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